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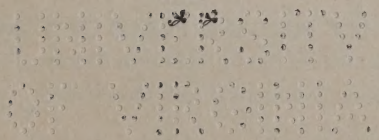

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Time—Tuesday before the full moon in August, 1906, at 8 p. m.
Place—Mt. Tabor Evangelical Lutheran church, Augusta Co., Va.

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EVANG. LUTHERAN SYNOD OF VIRGINIA.

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Virginia met by appointment of the officers in St. Peter's church, Tom's Brook, Va., Tuesday evening, August 22, 1905. The opening sermon was preached by the Secretary, Rev. A. D. R. Hancher, Staunton, Va.

FIRST SESSION.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, TOM'S BROOK, VA.,
AUGUST 23, 1905—9 A. M.

The Synod was formally opened by the President, Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., according to the service in the Book of Worship. The clerical roll was called and the absentees noted. Lay-delegates presented their credentials, and the names of those entitled to seats in the Synod were enrolled.

CLERICAL ROLL.

MINISTERS.	POST-OFFICE.	ORDAINED.
Rev. J. M. Shreckhise	Raphine, Va., R. F. D., No. 1	1858
" J. A. Snyder, D. D.	New Market, Va	1859
" P. Miller	Rio, W. Va	1860
" A. A. J. Bushong*	Strasburg, Va	1863
" H. C. Haithcox, D. D	Shepherdstown, W. Va	1872
" V. R. Stickley	Jadwyn, Va	1875
" A. M. Smith*	Stephenson, Va., R. F. D., No. 1	1876
" C. A. Marks	Richmond, Va., 614 East Grace St.	1877
" W. J. Smith	Bloom, Frederick county, Va	1878
" L. L. Smith, D. D.	Strasburg, Va	1880
" W. B. Oney	Bridgewater, Va	1882
" George S. Bowers	Winchester, Va., 126 N. Market St.	1883
" E. L. Folk	Mt. Jackson, Va	1884
" G. E. Shuey	Harrisonburg, Va	1886
" S. L. Keller	Waynesboro, Va., R. F. D., No. 3	1887
" J. A. Huffard	Luray, Va	1888
" W. P. Huddle*	Madison Courthouse, Va	1888
" H. F. Scheele*	Staunton, Va	1888
" J. H. Wyse	Staunton, Va., R. F. D., No. 7	1888
" J. A. Morehead, D. D	Salem, Va	1892
" A. D. R. Hancher	Staunton, Va., 9 Fayette St	1892
" E. A. Shenk	Newport News, Va., 101 27th St	1895
" C. W. Cassell	Stephens City, Va	1896
" D. W. Files	Mt. Sidney, Va	1896
" C. E. Hershberger*	Stony Man, Va	1896
" J. W. Shuey	Lexington, Va , R. F. D., No. 1	1897
" W. H. Riser	Norfolk, Va., 169 Wood St	1898
" W. W. J. Ritchie	Middlebrook, Va	1898
" Y. von A. Riser	Waynesboro, Va	1898
" E. A. Repass, Ph. D	Waynesboro, Va., R. F. D., No. 2	1900

*Absent and excused.

REGISTER.

NUMBER.	PASTORATES.	CHURCHES.	PASTORS.
1	Bethany	Bethany, Mt. Olive	Rev. J. W. Shuey.
2	Bethlehem	Bethlehem	Rev. E. A. Repass, Ph. D.
3	Buena Vista	Trinity, New Mt. Olive, Spring Val.	Rev. J. M. Shreckhise.
4	Capon	Hebron, St. Peter, Trinity, Trout Run, and Fairview	Rev. P. J. Wade.
5	Churchville	St. Peter, Pleasant View	Vacant.
6	Gravel Springs	Bethel, Fremont, Gravel Springs, St. John, St. James	Rev. W. J. Smith.
7	Harrisonburg	Muhlenberg	Rev. G. E. Shuey.
8	Lebanon	Lebanon	Vacant.
9	Madison	Hebron, Mt. Pisgah	Rev. W. P. Huddle.
10	Mt. Jackson	Mt. Calvary, Bethel, St. James	Rev. E. L. Folk.
11	Mason	New Haven, New Hope, White, Zion	Vacant.
12	Middlebrook	Holy Trinity, Newport, St. Mark.	Rev. W. W. J. Ritchie.
13	Mt. Tabor	Mt. Tabor	Rev. J. H. Wyse.
14	New Market	St. Matthew, St. Mark, St. Martin.	Rev. J. A. Snyder, D. D.
15	Newport News	Trinity	Rev. E. A. Shenk.
16	Norfolk	First Church	Rev. W. H. Riser.
17	North River	North River, Saint James, and Mt. Moriah	Rev. Peter Miller.
18	Luray	Bethlehem, St. Mark, Ebenezer	Rev. J. A. Huffard.
19	Richmond	First English Lutheran Church.	Rev. C. A. Marks.
20	Rockingham	Frieden, St. John, Trinity	Rev. W. B. Oney.
21	Shenandoah	Mt. Zion, St. Luke	Vacant.
22	Shepherdstown.	St. Peter, St. James	Rev. H. C. Haithcox, D. D.
23	Staunton	Christ	Rev. A. D. R. Hancher.
24	Stephens City	Trinity, St. Paul	Rev. C. W. Cassell.
25	Strasburg	St. Paul, St. Peter	Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D.
26	Smithfield	Gerardstown, Middleway	Vacant.
27	Salem	Salem, Melanchthon Chapel, Saint James	Rev. D. W. Files.
28	Zion-St. James	Zion, St. James	Rev. S. L. Keller.
29	Waynesboro	Grace	Rev. Y. von A. Riser.
30	Winchester	Grace	Rev. George S. Bowers.
31	Woodstock	Emmanuel	Vacant.
32	Page	St. Peter	Vacant.

LAY-DELEGATES.

Bethany, P. M. Engleman; Buena Vista, J. S. Huffman; Capon, C. H. Cline; Gravel Springs, Martin Yeakley; Harrisonburg, M. L. Rutherford; Lebanon, G. H. Snarr; Madison, L. F. Blankenbaker; Mt. Jackson, O. L. Burkett; Middlebrook, D. Preston Clemmer; Mt. Tabor, John M. Baylor; New Market, P. C. Olinger; Luray, A. M. Beach; Rockingham, S. T. Shank; Shepherdstown, Mayberry McKee; Staunton, J. A. Alexander; Stephens City, W. M. Lineburg; Strasburg, E. Painter; Salem, G. D. Ritchie; Zion–St. James, E. L. Keiser; Waynesboro, J. C. Henkel; Winchester, Oscar Barr; Woodstock, M. Coffman; Tom's Brook, N. F. Snarr.

The President, Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., read his report, which was received and laid on the table for future action.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

DEAR BRETHREN :—"Grace to you, and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ."

Assembled again in the 76th convention of this Synod, it is proper for us to express our thanks to our heavenly Father for his care and providence over us during the past year. Death has not invaded our ranks, and with a single exception our ministers have been enjoying health and strength to endure the multitudinous labors incident to the Gospel ministry. Our congregations have been free from any special, distressing affliction, and the favor of the Lord has been upon ministers and people, and our souls should praise the Lord and forget not his benefits.

As required by the constitution, I now submit a brief statement of my official acts, and of such matters as it is proper that I should bring to your attention.

THE PLACE OF MEETING.

The Synod adjourned its last convention leaving the selection of the place of this convention to the officers of Synod. Invitations were extended by the Lebanon pastorate and by St. Peter's church, Tom's Brook, the latter being chosen by the officers at a meeting early in July. The officers feel certain that the Synod will be glad to be here in the new church of this congregation and enjoy the Christian hospitality of these brethren.

RESIGNATIONS.

1. December 5, 1904, Rev. J. E. Shenk informed me that he had resigned the Woodstock pastorate November 20th, to take effect immediately, having accepted a call to St. James church, Concord, N. C.

2. March 3, 1905, Rev. J. W. Strickler informed me that he had resigned the Stephen City pastorate, to take effect April 15, 1905, having accepted a call to —— church, Concord, N. C.

3. March 31, 1905, Rev. J. M. Shreckhise informed me that he had resigned the Buena Vista pastorate, to take effect at the meeting of Synod.

4. April 26, 1905, Rev. C. M. Fox informed me that he had resigned the Capon pastorate, to take effect May 15, 1905.

5. August 2, 1905, Rev. V. R. Stickley resigned the Shenandoah pastorate on account of bad health, to take effect Sept. 1, 1905.

DISMISSIONS.

1. September 12, 1904, I dismissed Rev. R. B. Peery, Ph. D., to the East Penn. Synod, within whose bounds he had accepted work.

2. December 8, 1904, I dismissed Rev. J. E. Shenk to the North Carolina Synod.

3. March 8, 1905, I dismissed Rev. J. W. Strickler to the North Carolina Synod.

4. August 15, I dismissed Rev. C. M. Fox to the North Carolina Synod.

CALLS ACCEPTED.

1. January 13, 1905, Rev. John H. Wyse informed me that he had accepted a call to the Mt. Tabor pastorate, and began work on the first Sunday in November, 1904.

2. July 4, 1905, Rev. P. J. Wade informed me that he had accepted a call to the Capon pastorate, and that he would begin work October 15, 1905.

3. June 8, 1905, Rev. C. W. Cassell informed me that he had accepted a call to the Stephen City pastorate, and that he would begin work the following Sunday.

CREDENTIALS.

1. January 20, 1905, Rev. John H. Wyse put in my hands a regular letter of dismissal from the S. W. Va. Synod, transferring him to this body.

2. June 8, 1905, Rev. C. W. Cassell put in my hands a regular letter of dismissal from the S. W. Va. Synod, transferring him to this body.

INSTALLATIONS.

April 2, 1905, Rev. John H. Wyse was installed as pastor of the Mt. Tabor pastorate, Rev. L. A. Fox, D. D., conducting the service.

CHURCH DEDICATED.

May 28, 1905, the new and beautiful St. Peter's church, Tom's Brook, was dedicated, Rev. A. R. Steck, D. D., of York, Pa., preaching the sermon, and the pastor conducting the consecration services. Other ministers present were: Revs. J. A. Snyder, D. D., V. R. Stickley, F. W. Kitzmeyer, W. J. Smith, and G. S. Bowers. The cost of the church was about $8,000, all of which was provided for before the dedication.

CORNER-STONE LAYING.

On June 22, 1905, the corner-stone of the new North River church, in the North River pastorate, was laid by the pastor, Rev. P. Miller, who delivered the sermon from Haggai i.: 2, and an address was made in the afternoon by Student D. M. Canup, of Mt. Airy Seminary, Philadelphia.

SUPPLY PASTOR.

In the early summer I approved of the action of the Woodstock pastorate, securing a supply pastor for three months, until October, 1905. Rev. F. W. Kitzmeyer most acceptably serves the congregation as said supply.

VACANCIES.

At the present time the vacancies within our bounds are the Churchville pastorate, Woodstock, Shenandoah and Buena Vista. The Mason pastorate has a minister, but I have not been officially informed of the acceptance of a call to that work by him, and the Capon pastorate is temporarily supplied by Student D. M. Canup, to be served by Rev. P. J. Wade in October, and Woodstock to have a pastor after October 15 in the person of Rev. W. C. Schaeffer, Jr. In reality only Churchville, Shenandoah, and Buena Vista will be vacant on the adjournment of this body.

THE WEAKER PASTORATES.

For the future of the church on our territory and its highest efficiency I would most earnestly recommend that the Synod give its best thought to the care of our weaker pastorates. Vacancies—and long vacancies—mean disaster to them, and unless the Synod can provide some way to have pastors over these flocks, they will finally disintegrate and pass off of our rolls. I have found it almost impossible to secure pastors for vacant pastorates where only a small salary can be paid, and few of our ministers can serve these churches on a pittance of a salary. To ask it when we remember the increased cost of living and the demands on a minister's purse in these days is vain. I believe the policy to be adopted by this Synod is the stronger churches aiding the weaker ones and placing strong and efficient pastors in all of our fields. I hope that the Synod will seriously consider at this convention this subject of ministerial support, for it is a question that is vital to our future life as a church.

THE ORPHAN DEBT.

By reference to the last Minutes, the Executive Committee of Synod was directed to assume the pro rata share of the Orphan debt due from this Synod and apportion the same among our congregations. It appears that the general committee made an apportionment and so notified the pastors, and the Executive Committee thought that sufficient. It is to be hoped that the Synod will direct the Executive Committee to give this Orphan debt their direct attention and see that our full amount is raised by the time the United Synod meets next year. I would especially urge that this apportionment be pressed in all of our congregations, and that in the vacant congregations the Executive Committee arrange to have the cause presented and offerings taken for this great purpose.

THE SEMINARY DEBT.

After the adjournment of Synod the officers went to work and arranged to fund the debt of $2,000 due the Seminary, for which this

Synod stood pledged to return or see to its payment. This money was used to liquidate the Richmond Mission debt in part. The plan was followed as outlined at the last Synod, the debt being placed at 5 per cent. interest. The Treasurer paid on the debt $333.33, leaving the balance in five bonds of the Synod of $333.33, due in 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 years, interest and principal of one bond payable Oct. 1 of each year, until debt is paid. The Synod this year will have to provide the interest, $83.33, and the principal of one bond, $333.33, making a total of $416.66. The Synod will appreciate the wisdom of this plan for this year alone the saving of interest is about $37, and though the Synod has paid several thousands of interest in past years the debt will be cancelled in a few years, and the Synod entirely relieved of this burden.

THE SYNOD'S FINANCIAL INTEREST IN THE RICHMOND CHURCH.

During the past year the question of the financial interest of this Synod in the Richmond church property was presented to your President, in view of the determination of the congregation to sell their present property. The question was simply this: Does the Virginia Synod claim a debt against said property? The Synod failed, when the loan of $2,000 was made from the Seminary for which this Synod stood as security, to have said loan secured other than by the assignment of the bond held by one Mr. Green, of Richmond, to whom the money was due. Said bond is not only out of date, but in the refunding of the debt on the property, no provision was made to secure this $2,000. Though the Synod has no legal claim the moral obligation on the part of the Richmond congregation is just as great. The Synod at this convention should say plainly what it claims and what its officers shall do. The President of Synod would not like to say to the congregation at Richmond that the Synod relinquishes its claims and desires nothing unless the Synod so decides. Further, the congregation should know just what the Synod claims. My own judgment is that the Synod should release all claims against the Richmond congregation and wish them great success in securing a new church.

BENEFICIARY EDUCATION.

I desire to call the attention of the Synod to the loose and careless method of our system of beneficiary education. This Synod should revise its rules and regulations and practices on this subject, if the expenditures in this direction shall be helpful to our work. There should be some understanding between the candidates and the Synod as to the service the Synod demands of them, and I am free to say that the Synod has been too indifferent in this particular. The aim of this system is to supply our vacant churches, and our late experience does not warrant us to believe that it has been a success.

DELEGATES TO THE UNITED SYNOD.

I call the attention of Synod to the duty of electing delegates to the next convention of the United Synod to be held at Dallas, N. C., next summer.

I now return to the Synod the trust committed to me, with the prayer that the richest blessings may rest upon our beloved church.

Fraternally, L. L. SMITH.

St. Peter's Church, Tom's Brook, Va.,
August 23, 1905.

The Secretary read his report, which was received for future action.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The following report is submitted for the past synodical year:

1. The Minutes were printed and distributed by Bushong Bros.; also the special addresses in connection with the celebration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of this Synod, at a cost of $125.

2. Reduced rates for this meeting were secured over the Southern, B. & O., and N. & W. railroads.

3. The amount for postage, &c., in the discharge of duties of this office for the year is $2.10.

A. D. R. HANCHER, SECRETARY.

The Treasurer read his report, which was received for future action.

Apportionments and Receipts of different pastorates of the Virginia Synod

Index Number.	PASTORATE.	THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.		BENEFICIARY EDUCATION.		SPECIAL SYNODICAL HOME MISS. FUND.		SYNODICAL FUND.		HOME MISSIONS.	
		Apportioned.	Received.	Apportioned.	Received.	Apportioned.	Received.	Apportioned.	Received.	Apportioned.	Received.
1	Bethany	$ 3 00	$ 3 00	$ 3 00	$ 3 00	$ 7 00	$ 7 00	$ 8 00	$ 8 00	$ 28 00	$ 28 00
2	Bethlehem	5 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	8 00	16 00	5 00	6 58	14 00	14 00
3	Capon	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	16 00	16 00
4	Churchville { St. Peter	2 00	1 00	3 00	1 00	4 00	4 00	2 50	2 50	6 00	6 00
	Churchville { Pleasant View.	2 00	1 35	3 00	3 00	4 00	4 00	5 00	5 00	8 00	6 00
5	Gravel Springs	7 00	. . .	6 00	6 00	10 00	10 00	15 00	17 80	65 00	50 00
6	Harrisonburg	3 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	5 00	5 00	4 00	4 00	18 00	18 00
7	Luray { Ebenezer	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 50	1 50	2 00	2 00	7 50	7 50
	Luray { St. Mark	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	3 00	3 00	4 50	4 50	9 00	8 10
	Luray { Bethlehem	1 00	. . .	1 00	. . .	1 00	1 00	2 75	2 00	6 00	1 00
8	Madison { Pisgah	1 00	. . .	3 00	. . .	2 00	. . .	2 75	1 00	2 00	2 00
	Madison { Hebron	12 00	6 00	8 00	4 00	20 00	22 00	25 00	27 00	90 00	47 66
9	Mt. Jackson	4 00	2 00	7 50	4 50	17 00	9 00	20 00	9 00	87 00	56 01
10	Mason	2 00	. . .	3 00	. . .	8 00	. . .	7 50	. . .	35 00	. . . .
11	Middlebrook { Holy Trinity	2 00	2 00	3 75	2 75	5 00	10 00	5 00	10 00	20 00	28 15
	Middlebrook { St. Mark	1 00	1 00	1 25	1 25	2 50	5 00	2 00	4 00	9 00	7 25
	Middlebrook { Mt. Hermon.	1 00	. . .	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 50	1 50	6 00	2 43
12	Mt. Tabor	8 00	4 00	6 00	6 00	14 00	14 00	15 00	15 00	65 00	65 85
13	New Market { St. Matthew.	5 00	. . .	4 00	4 00	14 00	.	9 00	16 72	45 00	12 00
	New Market { St. Mark	4 00	. . .	3 00	. . .	7 00	6 83	3 00	2 70	14 00	. . . .
	New Market { St. Martin	4 00	2 00	3 00	1 00	7 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	14 00	4 45
14	Newport News	2 00	2 00	3 00	3 00	7 00	7 00	5 00	5 00	8 00	8 00
15	Norfolk	2 00	2 00	3 00	3 00	7 00	7 00	7 00	7 00	20 00	20 00
16	North River	4 00	4 00	3 00	3 00	8 00	8 00	5 00	5 00	19 00	19 00
17	Page—St. Peter	2 00	. . .	3 00	. . .	3 50	. . .	3 00	. . .	2 00	. . . .
18	Richmond	4 00	4 00	4 00	4 00	8 00	8 00	8 00	8 00	22 50	22 50
19	Rockingham	3 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	5 00	5 00	7 00	7 00	24 00	24 00
20	Shenandoah { Mt. Zion	2 00	2 00	3 00	3 00	4 00	4 00	3 00	3 00	15 00	6 00
	Shenandoah { St. Luke	1 00	. . .	2 00	2 00	3 00	. .	2 00	2 00	10 00	. . . .
	Shenandoah { Lebanon	2 00	1 00	3 00	2 00	4 00	3 00	5 00	4 00	22 00	15 00
21	Shepherdstown { St. Peter.	8 00	8 00	7 50	7 50	20 00	20 00	25 00	25 00	66 00	46 10
	Shepherdstown { St. James	4 00	3 00	5 00	5 00	12 00	3 65	12 00	12 00	34 00	10 50
22	Spring Val { Buena Vista	3 00	. . .	3 00	4 00	4 00	1 00	4 00	5 00	10 00	. . . .
	Spring Val { New Mt. Olive.	1 00	1 00	1 50	2 50	3 50	4 50	1 50	3 00	3 50	2 00
	Spring Val { Spring Valley.	1 00	1 00	1 50	1 50	3 50	3 00	1 50	2 50	3 50	1 00
23	Salem	5 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	10 00	10 00	17 00	17 00	42 00	36 00
24	Staunton	7 00	7 00	8 00	16 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	33 50	70 00	70 00
25	Strasburg { St. Paul	1 50	1 50	4 00	4 00	14 00	14 00	12 00	12 00	30 00	30 00
	Strasburg { St. Peter	1 50	1 50	4 00	4 00	14 00	14 00	10 00	10 00	25 00	25 00
26	Stephen's City { St. Paul	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	4 00	4 00	5 00	5 00	22 00	22 00
	Stephen's City { Trinity	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	3 50	3 50	7 00	7 00	20 00	20 00
27	Waynesboro	2 00	. . .	3 00	2 48	7 00	. . .	5 00	. . .	5 00	3 53
28	Winchester	15 00	15 00	15 00	15 00	50 00	50 00	75 00	75 00	225 00	225 00
29	Woodstock	9 00	9 00	6 00	6 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	35 00	41 70
30	Zion-St. James	7 00	6 00	7 50	6 00	14 00	10 00	15 00	10 26	70 00	39 09
31	Amount on hand last year	. . .	. . .	. . .	47 01	. . .	305 16	. . .	83 25	. . . .	. . . .
	Totals	$163 00	$115 35	$169 50	$198 49	$395 00	$652 14	$420 50	$506 81	$1368 00	$1066 82

of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, for year ending August 12, 1905.

Index Number.	FOREIGN MISSIONS.		ORPHAN HOME.		ROANOKE COLLEGE.	WOMEN'S $20,000 MISSION FUND.	VIRGINIA BIBLE SOCIETY.	TOTAL.			
	Apportioned.	Received.	Apportioned.	Received.	Received.	Received.	Received.	Apportioned.	Received.	Overpaid.	Deficit.
1	$ 18 00	$ 27 50	$ 7 00	$ 7 00	. . . .	$ 21 19	. . . . .	$ 74 00	$ 104 69	$ 30 69	. . .
2	7 00	7 00	3 00	3 00	$ 4 48	15 00	. . . . .	45 00	74 06	29 06	. . .
3	10 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	. . . .	2 00	. . . . .	43 00	45 00	2 00	. . .
4	6 00	2 47	2 00	10 53	. . . .	7 60	. . . . .	25 50	35 10	9 60	. . .
	5 00	2 87	3 00	3 00	1 42	. . . . .	. . . . .	30 00	26 64	. . . .	$ 3 36
5	50 00	61 00	25 00	44 15	11 28	73 75	$ 8 35	178 00	282 33	104 33	. . .
6	10 00	19 04	5 00	5 00	. . . .	4 00	. . . . .	48 00	61 04	13 04	. . .
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	6 00	9 30	4 00	4 00	6 24	. . . . .	. . . . .	30 50	39 14	8 64	. . .
	4 00	. . . .	2 00	2 00	. . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	17 75	6 00	. . . .	11 75
8	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	. . . .	22 65	. . . . .	12 75	27 65	14 90	. . .
	50 00	21 84	25 00	27 00	10 05	78 40	4 00	230 00	247 95	17 95	. . .
9	45 00	23 82	17 50	5 05	. . . .	30 10	. . . . .	198 00	139 48	. . . .	58 52
10	20 00	. . . .	10 00	. . .	. . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	85 50	. . . .	. . . .	85 50
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	7 00	6 75	1 50	3 00	. . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	24 25	28 25	4 00	. . .
	3 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	. . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	14 50	9 93	. . . .	4 57
12	40 00	39 57	15 00	15 00	5 00	32 50	. . . . .	163 00	196 92	33 92	. . .
13	20 00	24 76	5 00	22 08	. . . .	56 35	. . . . .	102 00	135 91	33 91	. . .
	10 00	6 57	4 00	. . .	. . . .	15 50	. . . . .	45 00	31 60	. . . .	13 40
	10 00	12 91	4 00	5 00	. . . .	7 25	. . . . .	45 00	38 61	. . . .	6 39
14	7 00	7 00	3 00	3 00	8 85	24 50	1 95	35 00	70 30	35 30	. . .
15	15 00	15 00	7 00	7 00	. . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	61 00	61 00	. . . .	. . .
16	10 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	15 15	. . . . .	. . . . .	54 00	69 15	15 15	. . .
17	2 00	. . . .	1 00	. . .	. . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	16 50	. . . .	. . . .	16 50
18	7 00	7 00	7 00	7 00	12 48	. . . . .	18 15	60 50	91 13	30 63	. . .
19	15 00	15 00	7 50	7 54	. . . .	21 00	. . . . .	64 50	85 54	21 04	. . .
20	18 00	4 20	2 50	2 50	2 55	10 00	. . . . .	47 50	37 25	. . . .	10 25
	7 00	. . . .	2 50	. . .	2 18	3 00	. . . . .	27 50	9 18	. . . .	18 32
	10 00	5 00	3 00	4 37	2 67	10 00	. . . . .	49 00	47 04	. . . .	1 96
21	40 00	40 00	20 00	. . .	6 00	6 00	. . . . .	186 50	158 60	. . . .	27 90
	20 00	20 00	10 00	. . .	5 00	. . . . .	. . . . .	97 00	59 15	. . . .	37 85
22	8 00	2 00	3 00	1 00	1 00	. . . . .	. . . . .	35 00	14 00	. . . .	21 00
	3 50	5 50	1 00	3 00	1 00	. . . . .	. . . . .	15 50	22 50	7 00	. . .
	3 50	3 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	6 52	. . . . .	15 50	21 52	6 02	. . .
23	30 00	30 00	7 50	7 50	10 35	28 72	. . . . .	114 50	147 57	33 07	. . .
24	40 00	88 65	20 00	20 00	18 00	79 25	. . . . .	185 00	352 40	167 40	. . .
25	18 00	18 00	7 50	25 00	12 50	25 00	. . . . .	87 00	142 00	65 00	. . .
	15 00	15 00	7 50	10 00	3 00	6 00	. . . . .	77 00	88 50	11 50	. . .
26	10 00	19 50	2 50	2 50	3 00	19 90	. . . . .	47 50	79 90	32 40	. . .
	12 00	18 70	5 00	10 00	7 92	22 00	1 70	50 50	93 82	43 32	. .
27	4 00	4 72	3 00	12 22	1 75	11 00	. . . . .	29 00	35 70	6 70	. . .
28	750 00	843 75	55 00	55 00	70 41	314 71	. . . . .	1185 00	1663 87	478 87	. . .
29	25 00	80 00	9 00	50 00	23 93	78 00	. . . . .	124 00	328 73	204 73	. . .
30	40 00	35 80	13 00	13 00	3 93	70 00	. . . . .	166 50	194 08	27 58	. . .
31	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	. . .	. . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . .	435 12	. . . .	. . .
	$1447 00	$1594 72	$351 00	$422 94	$ 254 45	$ 1123 64	$ 34 15	$4314 00	$5969 51	$1547 46	$317 27

Sunday-schools	371 50
Church Extension Board . . .	33 23
Sunday-school Convention . .	62 51
Total	$6436 75

SUNDAY-SCHOOL APPORTIONMENTS AND RECEIPTS FROM SUNDAY-SCHOOLS OF VIRGINIA SYNOD OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH FOR SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST 12, 1905.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL—PASTORATE.	Apportioned.	Received.
Bethany—Bethany pastorate	$ 8 00	$ 8 00
Bethlehem—Bethlehem pastorate	6 00	. . .
Grace—Waynesboro pastorate	6 00	. . .
Spring Valley—Buena Vista pastorate	3 00	1 00
Trinity—Buena Vista pastorate	2 00	2 00
Hebron—Capon pastorate	5 00	. . .
St. Peter's—Capon pastorate	5 00	. . .
Mt. Moriah—North River pastorate	2 00	2 00
North River—North River pastorate	4 00	4 00
St. Peter's—Churchville pastorate	2 00	. . .
Pleasant View—Churchville pastorate	4 00	4 00
Bethel—Gravel Springs pastorate	8 00	8 00
Fremont—Gravel Springs pastorate	1 00	1 00
Gravel Springs—Gravel Springs pastorate	5 00	5 00
St. John—Gravel Spring's pastorate	8 00	8 00
St. James—Gravel Springs pastorate	5 00	5 00
Muhlenberg—Harrisonburg pastorate	10 00	10 00
Lebanon—Lebanon pastorate	5 00	. . .
St. Paul—Stephen's City pastorate	5 00	. . .
Hebron—Madison pastorate	15 00	15 00
Mt. Pisgah—Madison pastorate	1 00	1 00
Mt. Calvary—Mt. Jackson pastorate	6 00	6 00
Bethel—Mt. Jackson pastorate	2 50	. . .
St. James—Mt. Jackson pastorate	2 50	. . .
New Haven—Mason pastorate	2 00	. . .
New Hope—Mason pastorate	1 00	. . .
White—Mason pastorate	2 00	. . .
Zion—Mason pastorate	1 00	. . .
Holy Trinity—Middlebrook pastorate	5 00	. . .
Mt. Hermon—Middlebrook pastorate	1 50	. . .
St. Mark's—Middlebrook pastorate	3 50	. . .
Mt. Tabor—Mt. Tabor pastorate	10 00	. . .
St. Matthew's—New Market pastorate	4 00	4 00
St. Mark's—New Market pastorate	2 00	. . .
St. Martin—New Market pastorate	2 00	. . .
First Church—Norfolk pastorate	10 00	10 00
Bethlehem—Luray pastorate	1 00	. . .
St. Mark's—Luray pastorate	8 00	. . .
Ebenezer—Luray pastorate	5 00	. . .
First English Church—Richmond pastorate	15 00	15 00
Frieden's—Rockingham pastorate	3 00	3 00
St. John's—Rockingham pastorate	3 00	. . .
Mt. Zion—Shenandoah pastorate	1 50	1 50
St. Luke's—Shenandoah pastorate	1 50	. . .
St. Peter's—Shepherdstown pastorate	20 00	20 00
Uvilla—Shepherdstown pastorate	10 00	10 00
Christ Church—Staunton pastorate	20 00	20 00
Trinity—Stephen's City pastorate	10 00	20 00
St. Paul's—Stephen's City pastorate	5 00	5 00
St. Paul's—Strasburg pastorate	15 00	15 00
St. Peter's—Strasburg pastorate	10 00	10 00
Salem—Salem pastorate	12 00	12 00
Melanchthon Chapel—Salem pastorate	5 00	. . .
St. James—Salem pastorate	5 00	5 00
Zion—Zion-St. James pastorate	8 00	11 00
St. James—Zion-St. James pastorate	8 00	. .
Grace Church—Winchester pastorate	100 00	100 00
Emmanuel—Woodstock pastorate	25 00	25 00
Smithfield—Middleway pastorate	2 00	. . .
St. Peter's—Shenandoah City pastorate	2 00	. . .
Newport News	5 00	5 00
	$465 00	$371 50

EXPENDITURES MADE BY M. COFFMAN, TREASURER, FROM THE DIFFERENT FUNDS DURING THE SYNODICAL YEAR ENDING AUGUST 12, 1905.

FROM BENEFICIARY EDUCATION FUND.

1904. DR.
Sept. 24. To amt. paid Harry Coffelt and 3 other dates . . . $ 125 00

1905. CR.
Aug. 12. By balance in Treasurer's hands 73 49

FROM FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

1905. DR.
March 6. To amt. paid John A. Cline, Treas. of United Synod, and 2 other dates $1594 72

FROM ORPHANAGE FUND.

1904. DR.
Nov. 26. To amt. paid Paul S. Davis, Treas., and 2 other dates $397 94

1905.
Jan. 5. To amt. paid Paul S. Davis, Treas., from St. Paul's S. S., Strasburg, Va. 25 00

$422 94

FROM ROANOKE COLLEGE FUND.

1904. DR.
Nov. 14. To amt. paid W. H. Ruthrauf, Treas., and 2 other dates . . . . . $ 254 45

FROM THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FUND.

1905. DR.
Aug. 12. To amt. paid C. M. Efird, Treas . . . . . $ 100 00

CR.
Aug. 12. By balance in Treasurer's hands 15 35

FROM SPECIAL SYNODICAL HOME MISSION FUND AND FROM SUNDAY-SCHOOL ASSESSMENTS FOR SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

1904. DR.
Sept. 29. To amt. paid Geo. E. Shuey, Harrisonburg mission, (12 items) . . . . . $ 275 00
Dec. 7. To amt. paid C. M. Fox, Capon mission (3 items) 56 67

1905.
July 26. To amt. paid D. M. Canup, Capon mission (1 item) 8 33

$ 340 00

CR.
Aug. 12. By balance in Treasurer's hands . . . . . $ 683 68

FROM SYNODICAL FUND.

1904. DR.
Aug. 25. To amt. paid Rev. E. L. Folk, Ex. Com . . . . . $ 2 74
Aug. 25. To amt. paid Annie Bowman, sexton 5 00
Aug. 25. To amt. paid Rev. A. D. R. Hancher, Sec., salary 15 00
Aug. 25. To amt. paid Rev. L. L. Smith, Sec., postage . . . 3 00
Aug. 25. To amt. paid Rev. S. L. Keller, binding Protocol . 2 50

Aug.	25.	To amt. paid Rev. A. D. R. Hancher, circulars Roanoke College day	1 50
Aug.	25.	To amt. paid expenses 75th anniversary	24 85
Aug.	25.	To amt. paid Rev. L. L. Smith on Seminary debt	333 33
Aug.	25.	To amt. paid same, int. on same, Aug. 7 to Oct. 1,'04	18 67
Aug.	25.	To amt. paid C. H. Duls, printing Minutes U. S.	54 84
Aug.	25.	To amt. paid postage and stationery	7 00
Aug.	25.	To amt. paid Treasurer, salary	50 00
Aug.	25.	To amt. paid Bushong Bros., printing Minutes and Anniversary Addresses	125 00
		To amt. paid B. Schmitt, Treas. book	1 75
			$ 645 18

1905. DR.

Aug. 12. To amt. overpaid and due Treasurer . . . . . $ 42 63

FROM HOME MISSION FUND.

1904. DR.

Aug. 12. To amt. paid John A. Cline, Treas. United Synod . $1066 82

FROM WOMEN'S $20,000 MISSION FUND.

1905. DR.

April 6. To amt. paid John A. Cline, Treas. United Synod, and other dates . . . . . $ 561 82

CR.

Aug. 12. By amt. in Treasurer's hands . . . . . $ 561 82

FROM VIRGINIA BIBLE SOCIETY FUND.

1905. DR.

April 8. To amt. paid Rev. W. S. Campbell, Sec., and other date . . . . . $ 34 15

BALANCE IN TREASURER'S HAND.

Beneficiary Education Fund	$	73 49
Theological Seminary Fund		15 35
Special Synodical Home Mission Fund		683 64
Women's $20,000 Mission Fund		561 82
	$1334 30	
Synodical Fund, amt. due Treas.		42 63
	$1291 67	

RECEIPTS FOR 1904–05, INCLUDING BALANCES ON HAND FROM 1904.

Theological Seminary	$	115 35
Beneficiary Education		198 49
Special Synodical Home Missions $652 14		
Sunday-schools 371 50		1023 64
Synodical Fund		506 81

A. H. Towberman, Treas. Church Extension	33 23
W. M. Bucher, Treas. Sunday-school Convention	62 51
Home Mission United Synod	1066 82
Foreign Missions	1594 72
Orphans' Home	422 94
Roanoke College	254 45
Women's $20,000 Mission Fund	1123 64
Virginia Bible Society	34 15
	$6436 75

EXPENDITURES FOR 1904–1905.

Theological Seminary	$ 100 00
Beneficiary Education	125 00
Special Synodical Home Mission Fund and from Sunday-schools combined	340 00
Home Mission Fund, United Synod	1066 82
Synodical Fund	645 18
Roanoke College	254 45
Foreign Missions	1594 72
Orphans' Home	422 94
Balances in Treasurer's hands	1291 67
Women's $20,000 Mission Fund	561 82
Virginia Bible Society	34 15
	$6436 75
Synodical Foreign Mission Fund in 5 per cent. certificate of Shenandoah Co. B. & L. Association	$ 203 59
Interest not capitalized	38 10
	$ 241 69

ADDENDUM.

The Treasurer received August 15, 1905, of Rev. E. L. Folk, from Bethel congregation, too late to go in report, and has been placed on books for next year's account:

Theological Seminary	$ 2 00
Beneficiary Education	3 00
Special Synodical Home Mission Fund	8 00
Synodical Fund	8 00
Home Missions for United Synod	35 99
Foreign Missions	20 18
Orphan Home	8 83
Bethel Sunday-school for Home Missions	2 50
	$ 88 50
From Rev. S. L. Keller, Zion–St. James pastorate	$ 15 00

From B. B. Wierman, Esq., New Market pastorate, St. Mark's congregation . . . . . $ 4 86

Respectfully submitted,

St. Peter's church, Tom's Brook, Va., August 23, 1905. M. COFFMAN, TREASURER.

On motion, the first four pews were made the bar of Synod.

On motion, the business hours were made as follows: 9-11 a. m., 2-4.30 p. m.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

President—Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D.
Vice-President—Rev. C. A. Marks.
Secretary—Rev. A. D. R. Hancher.
Treasurer—M. Coffman, Esq.

ADVISORY MEMBERS.

On motion, Rev. W. H. Greever, of the South Carolina Synod; Rev. J. F. W. Kitzmeyer, of the New York and New Jersey Synods; Rev. Chas. J. Smith, of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania, were made advisory members.

On motion, Candidates D. M. Canup, F. D. Smith, and Harry Coffelt were invited to seats within the bar of Synod.

The following report was read and adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

The papers, placed in the hands of your committee, are as follows:

The regular dismissal of Revs. C. W. Cassell and John H. Wise, signed by the President of the Synod of Southwestern Virginia.

These brethren are transferred to this Synod, and hereby cordially received.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. SNYDER,
W. J. SMITH,
J. M. SHRECKHISE,
J. A. MOREHEAD.

On motion, the Synod adjourned with prayer by Rev. Peter Miller.

SECOND SESSION.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, TOM'S BROOK, VA.,
AUGUST 23, 1905—2 P. M.

The Synod was opened with a hymn and prayer by Rev. C. A. Marks. Roll called. The minutes were read and approved.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Standing Committees were announced by the President as follows:

1. *President's Report.*—Revs. J. A. Morehead, D. D., J. A. Huffard, E. A. Repass, Ph. D., and Mr. A. M. Beach.

2. *Treasurer's Report.*—Messrs. M. McKee, N. F. Snarr, J. C. Henkel.

3. *Secretary's Report.*—Rev. Y. von A. Riser, and Messrs. P. M. Engleman and P. C. Olinger.

4. *State of the Church.*—Revs. Peter Miller, J. M. Schreckhise, and Mr. J. S. Huffman.

5. *Literary Institutions.*—Revs. J. W. Shuey, E. L. Folk, C. W. Cassell, and Messrs. W. M. Lineburg and Oscar Barr.

6. *Minutes of Last Synod.*—Revs. W. B. Oney, D. W. Files, and Mr. G. D. Ritchie.

7. *On Conferences.*—Revs. G. E. Shuey, J. A. Snyder, D. D., and Mr. J. A. Alexander.

8. *Letters and Petitions.*—Revs. George S. Bowers, E. L. Folk, and Mr. O. L. Burkett.

9. *Vacancies.*—Revs. W. W. J. Ritchie, S. L. Keller, and Mr. C. H. Cline.

10. *Appropriations and Apportionments.*—Revs. C. A. Marks, W. H. Riser, H. C. Haithcox, D. D., W. J. Smith, and Mr. Martin Yeakley.

Rev. M. L. Pence, of the Tennessee Synod, and Rev. J. I. Miller, D. D., of the N. Y. and N. E. Synod, were received as advisory members.

The presence of Rev. L. A. Racey of the United Breth-

ren church was recognized, and he was invited to a seat in the Synod.

On motion, the reports on the State of the Church were called for and given to the committee on the same, and the parochial reports were placed in the hands of the Secretary.

On motion, Rev. W. H. Greever, the representative of the publication interests of the United Synod, was given the opportunity to present that cause.

The following resolution was offered :

Resolved, That we have heard with pleasure the presentation of his cause by Rev. W. H. Greever, editor-in-chief of the *Lutheran Church Visitor*, and, recognizing the great importance of this work in connection with all the operations of the church, we pledge ourselves to the hearty support of this cause.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The committee held two meetings during the year.

After some correspondence with the brethren of the Churchville pastorate, the committee recommended the Rev. J. W. Strickler, then at Stephens City, to the Churchville pastorate, but inasmuch as Bro. Strickler accepted a call elsewhere, and we have heard nothing further from Churchville, our committee took no further action.

On motion of committee, its chairman was requested to correspond with the United Synod's committee on Orphans' Home debt for the purpose of ascertaining the best method of collecting said Orphans' Home debt and arranging for the raising of the Virginia Synod share of same. Upon corresponding with Dr. Wilson, chairman of United Synod committee, it was ascertained that an assessment had been made already and the whole amount apportioned among the congregations of the United Synod. This action was deemed sufficient. The committee recommend that this Synod raise at least 50 cts. per capita on the Orphans' Home debt, and that the President and Executive Committee be requested to do all that is necessary to execute this resolution.

During the year encouraging reports were received from the Harrisonburg mission, and in view of the fact that there seems to be a good prospect of said mission becoming self-supporting in the near future, we recommend that their request for $275 for this year be granted.

A letter from Mr. B. F. Landis, at one time a beneficiary of the Synod, embodies a request for $100 for next session to enable him to attend Roanoke College next year.

A letter from Brother Thomas S. Cooper, of Mountain Falls, asks

for help to attend Roanoke, but does not specify the amount desired.

We recommend that both these letters be referred to a meeting of the Ministerium.

The missionary in the Capon pastorate sent in favorable reports from his field until the time of his resignation. Since that time we have been informed of Rev. P. J. Wade's acceptance of a call to that pastorate.

The committee recommend further:

1. That the Synod insists that the beneficiaries of the Synod's funds be earnestly requested to give the vacancies in the Virginia Synod the preference when seeking work, and that they feel under obligation to consider seriously any call that may come to them from their own Synod. Referred to Ministerium.

2. That the pastors be requested to use the envelopes furnished by the committee for the collection of Sunday-school mission offerings.

E. L. FOLK,
W. J. SMITH,
G. S. BOWERS,
L. S. WALKER,
L. C. KNEISLEY.

This report was read and considered by items.

The recommendations for aid for the beneficiary students were referred to the Ministerium.

On motion, the Synod adjourned with the benediction by Rev. A. D. R. Hancher.

THIRD SESSION.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, TOM'S BROOK, VA..
AUGUST 24, 1905—9 A. M.

The Synod opened with singing hymn 108, and prayer by Rev. W. H. Greever.

Roll called. The minutes were read and approved.

On motion, Rev. A. R. Beck, of the Tennessee Synod, was received as an advisory member.

On motion, Mr. O. L. Burkett was excused from further attendance upon this session of Synod after the afternoon session.

On motion, Synod adjourned to meet as a Ministerium. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D.

FOURTH SESSION.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, TOM'S BROOK, VA.,
AUG. 24, 1905—2 P. M.

The Synod was opened with singing hymn 208, and prayer by Rev. C. A. Marks.

Roll called. The minutes were read and approved.

On motion, Mr. E. Painter was enrolled as delegate from St. Paul's, Strasburg, Va.

On motion, Rev. A. J. Stirewalt, of the Tennessee Synod, missionary elect to Japan, was received as an advisory member.

On motion, Rev. Charles F. Steck, of the Maryland Synod, was received as an advisory member.

On motion, Supt. J. T. Crabtree of the Orphan Home, Salem, Va., was invited to a seat in the Synod, and an opportunity given him to present that work at a suitable time.

The following report was read, considered by items, and adopted as a whole :

REPORT OF PASTOR'S FUND SOCIETY.

The Pastor's Fund Society begs to submit the following report for the past synodical year :

The annual meeting of the directors was held at Strasburg, August 15, 1905, at which meeting the following were present: Revs. L. L. Smith, D. D., and A. D. R. Hancher, and Messrs. J. E. Cooper and C. W. Heater.

Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., was re-elected President ; Mr. J. E. Cooper, Vice-President ; Mr. C. W. Heater, Treasurer ; and Rev. E. L. Folk, Secretary.

The Treasurer submitted his annual report which was audited and found to be correct, and is appended to this report for the information of Synod. The report is very gratifying, showing assets of over $1,100 in hand, and exhibits the possibilities of this Society in the ample provision to be made for our old and disabled ministers, as well as their widows and orphans. We feel sure that this Society will grow more and more to be appreciated by our ministry and people.

The Finance Committee was appointed for the coming year under whose direction all the funds of the Society are invested: Revs. L. L. Smith, W. J. Smith, and Mr. J. E. Cooper, and the Treasurer *ex officio* being a member.

Rev. A. D. R. Hancher and Mr. J. E. Cooper were elected directors for a term of three years, ending in 1908, and the Synod is asked to confirm their election.

It was resolved that the officers of the Board be elected at each annual meeting for a term of one year, and this the Synod is requested to approve—the same to be a by-law of this Society.

We recommend that the Synod assess each congregation three cents per capita, and three-fourths of one per cent. on salary of each pastor receiving $600 or over, and one-half of one per cent. on salary of each pastor receiving less than $600.

Respectfully submitted,

L. L. SMITH,
J. E. COOPER,
W. J. SMITH,
C. W. HEATER,
A. D. R. HANCHER,
E. L. FOLK,

Directors of the Pastors' Fund Society.

St. Peter's Church, Tom's Brook, Va.,
August 23d, 1905.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF PASTORS' FUND SOCIETY.

1904.		RECEIPTS.	
Aug.	26.	By cash in S. V. N. Bank	$473 64
1905.			
Jan.	1.	By interest on bond	10 00
Jan.	1.	By interest on deposits	4 00
March	3.	From Rev. W. P. Huddle	6 25
March	3.	From Hebron, Madison pastorate	8 76
March	24.	From Hebron, Madison pastorate	1 00
April	21.	From Rev. J. A. Huffard	2 50
May	1.	From Christ church, Staunton	6 00
May	13.	From Rev. D. W. Files	2 50
May	13.	From Pleasant View, Churchville pastorate	2 00
May	23.	From St. Matthew's, New Market	4 65
July	1.	From Rev. P. Miller	1 75
July	1.	From North River pastorate	5 50
July	1.	By interest on deposits	86
July	14.	From Rev. J. A. Morehead, D. D.	5 00
July	22.	From St. Paul's, Strasburg	5 76
July	29.	From Rev. W. B. Oney	2 00
July	29.	From Rockingham pastorate	4 41
July	29.	From St. Peter's, Tom's Brook	4 20
July	29.	From Emmanuel, Woodstock	4 59

Aug.	3.	From Rev. J. M. Shreckhise	$ 1 00
Aug.	3.	From Buena Vista pastorate	3 57
Aug.	3.	From interest on bonds	12 00
Aug.	4.	From Mt. Tabor pastorate	5 25
Aug.	5.	From Rev. E. A. Shenk	6 75
Aug.	7.	From Trinity church, Newport News	3 18
Aug.	9.	From Grace church, Winchester	11 97
Aug.	9.	From Rev. W. J. Smith	4 50
Aug.	9.	From Gravel Springs pastorate	6 00
Aug.	9.	From St. Mark's, New Market pastorate	2 00
Aug.	9.	From St. Martin, New Market pastorate	2 00
Aug.	9.	From Rev. S. L. Keller	5 00
Aug.	9.	From Salem pastorate	5 84
Aug.	10.	From Rev. George S. Bowers	9 00
Aug.	10.	From Rev. A. D. R. Hancher	6 40
Aug.	10.	From Rev. J. H. Wyse	4 50
Aug.	11.	From Luray pastorate	2 50
Aug.	14.	From Shepherdstown pastorate	11 55
Aug.	14.	From Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D	4 88
		Total	$ 663 26

1904. DISBURSEMENTS.

Oct.	1.	To Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., for Seminary bond, 5 per cent.	$ 333 33
Dec.	24.	To amt. paid Rev. A. A. J. Bushong by order of the board	25 00
1905.			
Feb.	4.	Charleston city, S. C., bond No. 22	101 00
July	1.	Stationery and postage	1 00
Aug.	14.	Cash in S. V. N. Bank	202 93
		Total	$ 663 26

1905. ASSETS.

Aug.	14.	One Charleston city bond No. 59—4 per cent.	$ 500 00
Aug.	14.	One Charleston city bond No. 22—4 per cent.	100 00
Aug.	14.	One Virginia Synod bond (see Min. 1904, page 37)	333 33
Aug.	14.	Cash in S. V. N. Bank	202 93
		Total	$1136 26

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. HEATER,
Treasurer Pastors' Fund Society.

The annual report of Roanoke College was read by the

President of the College, Rev. J. A. Morehead, D. D., as follows :

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF ROANOKE COLLEGE.

DEAR SIRS AND BRETHREN :

In accordance with established custom, I take pleasure in submitting to you another report of Roanoke College.

It is very encouraging to be able to tell of an increase of thirty per cent. over last year in attendance of students. The actual enrollment reached 184—the next to the highest in the history of the College. These young men are in much larger proportion than formerly from families of our own church. The College is thus doing an enlarging service for the Lutheran church.

The past session was characterized by good order. On the whole, the students were earnest and faithful in their work. The health of faculty and students was excellent throughout the year.

The most encouraging feature of the life of the College the past scholastic year was the favorable moral and religious conditions prevailing Eighty-five per cent. of the students are members of the church. About thirty-five of them have in view the ministry of the Gospel. The Y. M. C. A. has been prosperous. Students' Bible classes in the Sunday-schools have been numerous and well attended. In addition to instruction in the English Bible in the regular college classes, Dr. L. A. Fox gave weekly lectures on the Augsburg Confession in the College Chapel. The average number present at this exercise, attendance upon which was of course voluntary, was from 50 to 60. So Roanoke can be truly represented as a Christian institution. But while these conditions are very encouraging, it is felt that we dare not relax vigilance and effort to make the College a yet more effective spiritual force in developing the Christian faith and character of its students. So, in the spirit of its founders, shall the work go on for the true service of Church and State.

At the commencement in June, eighteen young men were graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Of these, six or seven will study for the ministry. Two young ladies received certificates for having completed the course for A. B.

In accordance with the purpose of keeping Roanoke in the front rank of the best colleges, several advances have been made—the standard has been raised in the matter of entrance requirements, the faculty has been augmented, important additions have been made to the library, and improvements in the building have been ordered by the Board of Trustees.

The financial condition of the College is encouraging. The income from students' fees has been considerably increased. Part of the en-

dowment fund has been reinvested with good security at a higher rate of interest. Although the College has lost a large number of Northern friends by death, some new people have been interested, so that the income from this source is but little less than in former years. The systematic contributions by the Lutheran church in Virginia toward the support of Roanoke College have been most encouraging. The contributions of this Synod for the past synodical year amount to $254.45. This commendable action of our people toward doing their own educational work has formed the basis for the financial advances in other directions. $1,100 of the debt against the fund for current expenses have been paid off since your last meeting, leaving $550 still due. A generous friend, of Philadelphia, recently sent a cheque for $1,000, "to endow a scholarship in Roanoke College to aid young men intending to enter the Christian ministry." All of these evidences of substantial interest in the work of the College are very encouraging, and are just cause for gratitude to God.

Even with the strictest economy, it requires much money to conduct a first-class college. The debts still remaining, the rapid enlargement of the work, the necessity of keeping step with the educational progress of the day—all these things make the needs of the College real and urgent. Please be assured that we are very grateful to God for your generous share in the work of Roanoke College.

The mission of the College is the service of Church and State in the cause of Christian education. The practical aim of the College is to develop cultured Christian manhood which cherishes the ideal of usefulness in living. The dependence of the College in the matter of financial support is upon God through far-seeing Christian people. Roanoke College is your institution, devoted to the principles for which you stand, your agent in the service of a great cause.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. MOREHEAD.

On motion, the report was ordered printed.

The following report was read and adopted :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TREASURER'S REPORT.

We, your committee appointed to examine the Treasurer's Report, beg leave to submit the following report, viz. :

We have examined the Treasurer's vouchers ; and find them, we believe, to be strictly correct.

MAYBERRY McKEE,
N. F. SNARR,
J. C. HENKEL.

On motion, it was ordered that the money raised by this

Synod for Roanoke College be used to assist in paying the running expenses of the college.

The following report was read and adopted :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SECRETARY'S REPORT.

We, the Committee on Secretary's Report, have examined the same, and recommend that the Synod pay the Secretary $2.10 to reimburse him for postage expended by him in the interest of the Synod.

Y. VON A. RISER,
P. M. ENGLEMAN,
P. C. OLINGER.

The following report was read, considered by items, and adopted as a whole.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINUTES OF SYNOD.

We, your Committee appointed to examine and report on the Minutes of Synod, would respectfully submit the following :

On page 18, attention is called to the resolution appointing a standing committee to report yearly in regard to the work of the Bible Society of Virginia, and the support given it by the churches of our Synod. Attended to.

Resolution on page 39—Roanoke College Day. Did the committee do its duty? Yes.

W. B. ONEY,
D. W. FILES,
G. D. RITCHIE.

On motion, Rev. A. H. Smith of the Reformed church was invited to a seat in the Synod.

On motion, the Synod adjourned to meet as a ministerium. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. George S. Bowers.

FIFTH SESSION.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, TOM'S BROOK, VA.,
AUGUST 25, 1905—9 A. M.

The Synod was opened with singing hymn 111, and prayer by Rev. George S. Bowers.

Roll was called. The minutes were read and approved.

On motion, Mr. J. A. Alexander was excused from further attendance upon this session of Synod.

On motion, Mr. W. F. Koiner was enrolled as delegate from Christ church, Staunton, Va.

On motion, Mr. M. L. Rutherford was excused from further attendance upon this Synod.

On motion, Rev. L. G. M. Miller, D. D., of the Southwestern Virginia Synod, was received as an advisory member, and an opportunity given him to present the cause of the Theological Seminary at Mt. Pleasant, S. C.

On motion, Dr. E. E. Campbell, of Irving College, Mechanicsburg, Pa., was recognized, and an opportunity given him to address the Synod.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

Your committee on President's Report beg leave to submit the following:

1. Attention is called to the blessings of health and the absence of distressing afflictions among ministry and congregations, which have been enjoyed during the past synodical year. The comparatively small number of vacancies indicated reminds us that the means of grace have been regularly administered in nearly all of the pastorates of the Synod. We unite with our President in recording our gratitude to God for these and all other mercies bountifully received through his grace.

2. It is recommended that the President's official acts presented in his report for our consideration be approved.

3. We are profoundly impressed with the importance of the matter of nurturing the weaker pastorates, of which the President invited consideration. In the judgment of your committee, the development of such pastorates will depend under the blessing of God upon three things. (*a*) The consecration of the ministers called. A pressing need is the spirit of genuine self-denial on the part of the ministry for Jesus' sake. (*b*) The faithful, earnest disposition of said pastorates to help themselves. (*c*) The material assistance of the weaker pastorates by this body. While in the days to come it may be advisable to establish a fund for the aid of weaker pastorates for the preservation of the integrity of the Virginia Synod, under present exigencies, it is recommended that the claims of each needy pastorate be individually considered and disposed of by this body.

4. The movement toward the liquidation of the Seminary debt is noted with satisfaction. It is recommended that the officers of Synod provide for the payment of the interest, $83.33, and the one bond for $333.33, which comes due this year.

5. In regard to the Synod's financial interest in the Richmond church, it is recognized that this body has just claims against said church, inasmuch as the $2,000 borrowed from the Seminary was loaned to the Richmond mission. The accruing interest has been met all these years by the Virginia Synod, and this body is now providing for the final settlement of the debt to the Seminary. However, because the First English Evangelical Lutheran church, of Richmond, needs a more commodious church building and because that congregation has labored earnestly and faithfully to accumulate a building fund, for their encouragement in their great undertaking it is recommended according to our President's suggestion that "this Synod release all claims against the Richmond congregation and wish them great success in securing a new church."

6. The President calls attention to the Synod's duty of electing delegates to the next convention of the United Synod to be held at Dallas, N. C. We recommend that this be done.

As the consideration of the items with regard to vacancies, the Orphan Home debt, and the improvement of the system of beneficiary education have been anticipated, or will be brought to the attention of Synod in other connections, recommendations touching them are not necessary here.

7. It is recommended that the thanks of this body be returned to President Smith for the faithful and efficient manner in which he discharged the duties of his office.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. MOREHEAD,
E. A. REPASS,
J. A. HUFFARD,
A. M. BEACH.

The report was heard, considered by items, and adopted as a whole.

On motion, the Synod adjourned.

SIXTH SESSION.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, TOM'S BROOK, VA.,
AUGUST 25, 1905—2 P. M.

The Synod was opened with singing hymn 110, and prayer by Rev. Y. Von A. Riser.

The roll was called. The minutes were read and approved.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LITERARY INSTITUTIONS.

We, your Committee on Literary Institutions, beg leave to submit the following report:

The catalogue of Roanoke College and a copy of the *Collegian* have been placed in the hands of your committee, and from them we gather the following facts, which should indeed be gratifying to us.

1. A very considerable increase in the number of students during the last session. We notice, further, that, of the 184 students enrolled, 138 are from Virginia—a marked increase over former years. Dr. Morehead informs us, moreover, that the great majority of these are from the two synods of Virginia. This shows us that the college and synods are coming into more intimate relations, and that the substantial support the synods have begun to give to the college is productive of good results, even in its beginning. This should greatly encourage us as pastors and people to do greater things for the college in the future.

2. The enlargement of the teaching force by the addition of an instructor, and material improvement in the course of study by enlarged requirements for entrance. Thus we may feel a just pride in the fact that our college stands in the rank of the best educational institutions of the South.

3. We call attention also to the high conception of educational work as set forth in his closing remarks at commencement, by President Morehead: "All education is philanthropy. All Christian education is the highest and truest philanthropy." If this be true, and we are not disposed to doubt it, Roanoke College as a Christian institution of our beloved Faith appeals to our most constant support as forcibly as any work of the church.

4. It is a matter of deep regret to us that the Synod raised only about half the amount of money that we, as a synod, resolved that we would endeavor to raise. Therefore, we recommend:

(1) That we make a more earnest and determined effort to raise at least $500 during the coming year.

(2) That the committee for bringing this matter before the people, as appointed last year, be continued.

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The catalogue of the Lutheran Seminary of Mt. Pleasant, S. C., shows, that there were twelve students in attendance last session. Rev. Lewis G. M. Miller, D. D., has been added to the faculty, as Professor of Exegetical and Historical Theology.

In every respect, the Seminary appears prepared to meet the requirements of the present time. The buildings are commodious and well furnished, the course of instruction compares favorably with that

of our larger theological schools, and the corps of instructors amply capable of teaching it. Moreover the professors are men of such deep spirituality and piety as to inspire young men with noble aspirations as servants of the Master. Though a comparatively small institution, we should "not despise the day of small things," and should so teach our young men of the South. Let us prayerfully hope that this institution may be an ever enlarging factor in solving the problems of our Southern Church.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. SHUEY,
E. L. FOLK,
C. W. CASSELL,
OSCAR BARR.

The report was heard, considered by items, and adopted as a whole.

During the discussion of the item of this report relative to the Theological Seminary, Rev. L. G. M. Miller, D. D., addressed the Synod in behalf of that institution.

This report was heard and adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCES.

The record of the proceedings of the Southern Conference shows that two regular meetings were held during the synodical year: One at Harrisonburg, Va., Muhlenberg church, Nov. 1, 1904. The second at Grace church, Waynesboro, Va., May 16, 1905. The attendance at each meeting was good. The usual practical questions were earnestly discussed.

The Potomac Conference held its two regular meetings at which important questions were discussed, and good impressions were made. The Potomac Conference also held a joint conference with the Virginia Conference of the Tennessee Synod.

GEO. E. SHUEY,
J. A. SNYDER,
WM. F. KOINER.

This report was read, considered by items, and adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON VACANCIES.

Your committee finds that there are three vacancies—Buena Vista, Churchville, and Shenandoah pastorates.

We regret to note that the Churchville pastorate has not secured a pastor to fill the vacancy so long existing.

1. We recommend that for the Churchville pastorate, the action of Synod last year be reaffirmed.

2. We recommend that the Executive Committee assist in securing a pastor at once.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. J. RITCHIE,
S. L. KELLER,
C. H. CLINE.

TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING.

On motion, Synod proceeded to select the place for the next meeting. Mt. Tabor church, Augusta county, Va., was selected as the place, and Tuesday before the full moon in August, 1906, the time.

Supt. J. T. Crabtree addressed the Synod in behalf of the Orphan Home at Salem, Va.

ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO THE UNITED SYNOD.

The election of delegates to the next meeting of the United Synod resulted as follows:

CLERICAL.	LAY.
Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D.,	J. Frank Clemmer,
Rev. A. D. R. Hancher,	D. P. Paul,
Rev. Geo. S. Bowers,	G. M. Beltzhoover,
Rev. W. J. Smith,	N. F. Snarr,
Rev. J. A. Morehead, D. D.,	J. E. Cooper,
Rev. C. A. Marks.	M. Coffman.
ALTERNATES.	ALTERNATES.
Rev. Peter Miller,	C. W. Heater,
Rev. W. H. Riser,	W. F. Koiner,
Rev. E. A. Shenk,	J. A. Alexander,
Rev. E. L. Folk,	N. I. Kagey,
Rev. H. C. Haithcox, D. D.,	James F. Bowman,
Rev. J. A. Huffard.	S. T. Shank.

On motion, it was ordered that half the railroad fare of the delegates to the United Synod be paid by this Synod.

On motion, the Synod adjourned to meet as a ministerium. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D.

SEVENTH SESSION.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, TOM'S BROOK, VA.,
AUGUST 26, 1905—9 A. M.

The Synod was opened with singing hymn 102, and pray-

er by Rev. S. L. Keller. Roll called. The minutes were read and approved.

This report was received and adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE CHURCH.

After a careful examination of the reports presented by the several pastors of Synod, your committee find nearly, or quite, the same conditions existing in the churches as reported last year.

There is a good degree of activity apparent in many members of the churches, whilst others appear to have "hidden their talents in a napkin."

The activity and inactivity of the different classes referred to, appear in regular attendance upon all the means of grace by the one class, and a partial or total indifference on the part of the inactive.

The improvement in benevolence is noticeable in the reports of a number of the pastors.

Sunday-school work is of an encouraging character, and is attended with a good measure of success. From hence, mainly, has come the increase in the number of communicants.

A number of pastors complain of a lack of interest shown by young people and parents on the subject of our time-honored and successful method of instruction as imparted in catechisation.

The financial condition of our churches reported very good.

Church property generally in good condition. Several excellent houses of worship have been built during the year, and one or two are now in process of erection. Several parsonages have been erected or purchased and others repaired.

Some advance along educational lines, but still far too little is shown in our church schools.

The literature of a churchly and a morally wholesome character does not find that hearty and general use which is so necessary to the development of an intelligent and active membership.

Respectfully submitted,

PETER MILLER,
J. M. SHRECKHISE,
J. S. HUFFMAN,

COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The President announced the following committee to nominate an Executive Committee for the ensuing year: Revs. E. A. Shenk, S. L. Keller, and J. W. Shuey.

SEXTON.

On motion, it was ordered that the sexton of the church be paid $5 for services rendered.

MINUTES.

On motion, it was ordered that 1500 copies of the Minutes be printed and distributed among the congregations of the Synod.

On motion, Mr. P. C. Olinger was excused from further attendance upon this meeting.

On motion, Messrs. J. C. Henkel and John M. Baylor were excused from further attendance upon this Synod after the morning session.

This report was heard, considered by items, and adopted as a whole :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LETTERS AND PETITIONS.

Your Committee on Letters and Petitions beg to submit the following report :

1. Letters from the brethren W. P. Huddle, C. E. Hershberger, A. M. Smith, H. F. Scheele, and A. A. J. Bushong, giving the reasons for their absence from this convention of Synod, were handed to us. Deeming their reasons sufficient we recommend that they be excused.

2. In compliance with a request from the Capon charge for aid in the sum of $100 for the ensuing synodical year to supplement their pastor's salary, we recommend said request be granted.

3. In answer to an inquiry respecting the rights of members of a congregation in the election of a pastor, we would direct attention to the following from our Formula of Government, Chap. 6, Sec. 5: "When an election is held in a vacant congregation for a pastor, two-thirds of all the electors present shall be necessary to an election."

4. In response to a request from the superintendent Sunday-school Department W. C. T. U., that we as a Synod observe the 4th Sunday in November as "The World's Temperance Day," we would recommend that this be done in as far as feasible.

5. A communication having come to us from the "National Federation of Churches and Christian Workers," calling our attention to the nature and aims of the organization ; and, also, to the fact that a conference of representatives from the larger Protestant denominations of our country will likely be held in New York city in November of this year, to which we are asked to send a delegate, we would recommend that our Secretary reply to said communication, stating that we do not deem it practicable to accede to the request made.

6. In view of the statements already made to Synod by our President, respecting the conditions in the Mason pastorate, and in view of the remoteness of this pastorate from the main territory of our Synod,

we would suggest to our people of said pastorate that, though reluctant to have them leave our fellowship, yet, if it seem best to them, they seek synodical relation in some other Lutheran body more conveniently located, and we hereby authorize the officers of Synod to dismiss them in the proper way.

7. We recommend that the matter of the division of the pastorate, composed of the Buena Vista, Spring Valley, and New Mt. Olives congregations, be referred to the Southern Conference. Also that the Executive Committee be authorized to make such financial provision for Buena Vista as the circumstances require.

8. A letter has been received from Rev. A. A. J. Bushong, asking that a committee be appointed by Synod "to investigate and settle the difficulty" between himself and Immanuel Lutheran congregation of Woodstock. We recommend the appointment of said committee.

Signed, GEO. S. BOWERS,
E. L. FOLK,
O. L. BURKETT.

The following committee was appointed in accordance with recommendation in item 8 of above report: Revs. Geo. S. Bowers, H. C. Haithcox, D. D., C. Willis Cassell.

The Synod adjourned with the benediction by Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D.

EIGHTH SESSION.

St. Peter's Church, Tom's Brook, Va.,
August 26, 1905—2 p. m.

The Synod was opened with singing hymn 242, and prayer by Rev. G. E. Shuey. Roll was called. The minutes were read and approved.

This report was received and adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your committee to nominate an Executive Committee would report as follows: Rev. Ed. L. Folk, Rev. Geo. S. Bowers, Rev. W. J. Smith, L. S. Walker, C. L. Kneisley, Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., ex-officio.

E. A. SHENK,
S. L. KELLER,
J. W. SHUEY,
Committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE MINISTERIUM TO SYNOD.

See Minutes of the Ministerium, second and third sessions.

SPEAKERS FOR NEXT CONVENTION.

Ordination—Rev. J. A. Snyder, D. D.
Education—Rev. George S. Bowers.
Missions—Rev. H. C. Haithcox, D. D.

This report was read, considered by items, and adopted as a whole :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS AND APPORTIONMENTS.

PASTORATE.	Theo. Seminary.	Bene. Education.	Special Synodical Home Mis Fund.	Synodical Fund.	Home Missions for United Synod.	Foreign Missions.	Orphan Home.
Bethany	$3 00	3 00	$ 7 00	$ 8 00	$ 28 00	$ 18 00	$ 7 00
Bethlehem	5 00	3 00	8 00	5 00	14 00	7 00	3 00
Capon	2 00	2 00	5 00	3 00	16 00	10 00	5 00
Churchville { St. Peter	2 00	3 00	4 00	2 50	6 00	6 00	2 00
Churchville { Pleasant View.	2 00	3 00	4 00	5 00	8 00	5 00	3 00
Gravel Springs	7 00	6 00	10 00	15 00	65 00	50 00	25 00
Harrisonburg	3 00	3 00	5 00	4 00	18 00	10 00	5 00
Luray { Ebenezer	1 00	1 00	1 50	2 00	7 50	5 00	2 50
Luray { St. Mark	2 00	2 00	3 00	4 50	9 00	6 00	4 00
Luray { Bethlehem	1 00	1 00	1 00	2 75	6 00	4 00	2 00
Madison { Pisgah	1 00	3 00	2 00	2 75	2 00	1 00	1 00
Madison { Hebron	12 00	8 00	20 00	25 00	90 00	50 00	25 00
Mt. Jackson	4 00	7 50	17 00	20 00	87 00	45 00	17 50
Mason	2 00	3 00	8 00	7 50	35 00	20 00	10 00
Middlebrook { Holy Trinity	2 00	3 75	5 00	5 00	20 00	10 00	5 00
Middlebrook { St. Mark	1 00	1 25	2 50	2 00	9 00	7 00	1 50
Middlebrook { Mt. Hermon.	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 50	6 00	3 00	1 00
Mt. Tabor	8 00	6 00	14 00	15 00	65 00	40 00	15 00
New Market { St. Matthew	5 00	4 00	14 00	9 00	45 00	20 00	5 00
New Market { St. Mark	4 00	3 00	7 00	3 00	14 00	10 00	4 00
New Market { St. Martin	4 00	3 00	7 00	3 00	14 00	10 00	4 00
Newport News	2 00	3 00	7 00	5 00	8 00	7 00	3 00
Norfolk	2 00	3 00	7 00	7 00	20 00	15 00	7 00
North River	4 00	3 00	8 00	5 00	19 00	10 00	5 00
Page—St. Peter	2 00	3 00	3 50	3 00	2 00	2 00	1 00
Richmond	4 00	4 00	8 00	8 00	22 50	7 00	7 00
Rockingham	3 00	3 00	5 00	7 00	24 00	15 00	7 50
Shenandoah { Mt. Zion	2 00	3 00	4 00	3 00	15 00	18 00	2 50
Shenandoah { St. Luke	1 00	2 00	3 00	2 00	10 00	7 00	2 50
Shenandoah { Lebanon	2 00	3 00	4 00	5 00	22 00	10 00	3 00
Shepherdstown { St. Peter.	8 00	7 50	20 00	25 00	66 00	40 00	20 00
Shepherdstown { St. James	4 00	5 00	12 00	12 00	34 00	20 00	10 00
Spring Val { Buena Vista	3 00	3 00	4 00	4 00	10 00	8 00	3 00
Spring Val { New Mt. Olives	1 00	1 50	3 50	1 50	3 50	3 50	1 00
Spring Val { Spring Valley.	1 00	1 50	3 50	1 50	3 50	3 50	1 00
Salem	5 00	3 00	10 00	17 00	42 00	30 00	7 50
Staunton	7 00	8 00	20 00	20 00	70 00	40 00	20 00
Strasburg { St. Paul	1 50	4 00	14 00	12 00	30 00	18 00	7 50
Strasburg { St. Peter	1 50	4 00	14 00	10 00	25 00	15 00	7 50
Stephen's City { St. Paul	2 00	2 00	4 00	5 00	22 00	10 00	2 50
Stephen's City { Trinity	2 00	1 00	3 50	7 00	20 00	12 00	5 00
Waynesboro	2 00	3 00	7 00	5 00	5 00	4 00	3 00
Winchester	15 00	15 00	50 00	75 00	225 00	750 00	55 00
Woodstock	9 00	6 00	20 00	20 00	35 00	25 00	9 00
Zion-St. James	7 00	7 50	14 00	15 00	70 00	40 00	13 00
Totals	$172 00	$168 00	$ 395 00	$ 397 00	$1368 00	$1448 00	$351 00

SUNDAY-SCHOOL APPORTIONMENTS.

FOR SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

Bethany—Bethany pastorate	$ 8 00
Bethlehem—Bethlehem pastorate	6 00
Grace—Waynesboro pastorate	6 00
Spring Valley—Buena Vista pastorate	3 00
Trinity—Buena Vista pastorate	2 00
Hebron—Capon pastorate	5 00
St. Peter's—Capon pastorate	5 00
Mt. Moriah—North River pastorate	2 00
North River—North River pastorate	4 00
St. Peter's—Churchville pastorate	2 00
Pleasant View—Churchville pastorate	4 00
Bethel—Gravel Springs pastorate	8 00
Fremont—Gravel Springs pastorate	1 00
Gravel Springs—Gravel Springs pastorate	5 00
St. John—Gravel Spring's pastorate	8 00
St. James—Gravel Springs pastorate	5 00
Muhlenberg—Harrisonburg pastorate	10 00
Lebanon—Lebanon pastorate	5 00
St. Paul—Stephen's City pastorate	5 00
Hebron—Madison pastorate	15 00
Mt. Pisgah—Madison pastorate	1 00
Mt. Calvary—Mt. Jackson pastorate	6 00
Bethel—Mt. Jackson pastorate	2 50
St. James—Mt. Jackson pastorate	2 50
New Haven—Mason pastorate	2 00
New Hope—Mason pastorate	1 00
White—Mason pastorate	2 00
Zion—Mason pastorate	1 00
Holy Trinity—Middlebrook pastorate	5 00
Mt. Hermon—Middlebrook pastorate	1 50
St. Mark's—Middlebrook pastorate	3 50
Mt. Tabor—Mt. Tabor pastorate	10 00
St. Matthew's—New Market pastorate	4 00
St. Mark's—New Market pastorate	2 00
St. Martin—New Market pastorate	2 00
First Church—Norfolk pastorate	10 00
Bethlehem—Luray pastorate	1 00
St. Mark's—Luray pastorate	8 00
Ebenezer—Luray pastorate	5 00
First English Church—Richmond pastorate	15 00
Frieden's—Rockingham pastorate	3 00
St. John's—Rockingham pastorate	3 00
Mt. Zion—Shenandoah pastorate	1 50
St. Luke's—Shenandoah pastorate	1 50
St. Peter's—Shepherdstown pastorate	20 00
Uvilla—Shepherdstown pastorate	10 00
Christ Church—Staunton pastorate	20 00
Trinity—Stephen's City pastorate	10 00
St. Paul's—Stephen's City pastorate	5 00
St. Paul's—Strasburg pastorate	15 00
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Salem—Salem pastorate	12 00
Melanchthon Chapel—Salem pastorate	5 00
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Grace Church—Winchester pastorate	100 00
Emmanuel—Woodstock pastorate	25 00
Smithfield—Middleway pastorate	2 00
St. Peter's—Shenandoah City pastorate	2 00
Newport News	5 00
	$465 00

APPROPRIATIONS.

Your committee reports as follows:

FROM BENEFICIARY FUND.

For Beneficiary Education	$200 00

FROM SYNODICAL HOME MISSION FUND.

For Seminary Fund	$416 66
For Harrisonburg	275 00
For Churchville	125 00
For Capon	100 00
For Mr. D. M. Canup	16 66
	$933 32

FROM THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FUND.

For Theological Seminary	$100 00

FROM SYNODICAL FUND.

For Printing Minutes	$ 95 00
For Secretary's Salary and Expenses	17 10
For Sexton	5 00
For Treasurer's Salary	50 00
	$167 10

FROM UNITED SYNOD HOME MISSION FUND.

For Home Missions, United Synod	$1250 00

FROM ORPHAN HOME FUND.

For Orphan Home	$350 00

FROM FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

For Foreign Missions	$1742 00

Your committee recommend the same apportionments as last year.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. MARKS,
W. J. SMITH,
H. C. HAITHCOX,
W. H. RISER,
M. YEAKLEY.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this body are due and are hereby extended to the pastor and members of St. Peter's for their kind hospitality and lavish entertainment during this convention of Synod; to the choir for the churchly and edifying music.

Resolved, further, That we desire to express our pleasure in being permitted to assemble in this beautiful and churchly house of God, and congratulate the pastor and members of this church upon the possession and occupancy of such a beautiful edifice.

On motion, the thanks of this body were extended to the B. & O., Southern, and N. & W. Railroads for reduced rates to this convention.

On motion, all moneys collected in our congregations are to pass through the hands of the Treasurer of this Synod.

COMMITTEE ON BIBLE SOCIETY.

The following committee was appointed to inform the church on the work of the Bible Society of Virginia: Rev. W. P. Huddle, Rev. E. A. Shenk, Rev. C. A. Marks.

On motion, it was ordered that the money remaining in the hands of the Treasurer on the $20,000 forward movement be donated to the building fund of the First English Lutheran church of Richmond, Va.

INVESTMENT OF FUNDS.

On motion, the Treasurer was instructed to invest the funds donated to the Richmond church until such time as work shall begin on said church.

PRESIDENT'S EXPENSES.

On motion, it was ordered that the necessary expenses of the President of the Synod in the discharge of the duties of his office be paid. The minutes were read and approved.

On motion, the Synod adjourned according to the order in the Book of Worship.

The benediction was pronounced by the President.

A. D. R. HANCHER,
Secretary Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Virginia.

FORM FOR REPORT ON STATE OF THE CHURCH.

1. Activity in Christian Work.
2. Attendance on Service.
3. Benevolence.
4. Sunday-schools.
5. Catechisation.
6. Finances.
7. Church Property.
8. Education.
9. Church Literature.

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EVANG. LUTHERAN SYNOD OF VIRGINIA.

FIRST SESSION.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, TOM'S BROOK, VA.,
AUGUST 24, 1905, 9:30 A. M.

The Ministerium was called to order, and opened with prayer by Rev. W. H. Riser.

The application of Mr. B. F. Landes for aid in prosecuting his studies at Roanoke College was carefully considered as presented by the chairman of the Executive Committee. Final action was postponed, and the application was carried over for further consideration.

The application of Mr. Thos. S. Cooper for $100 was heard and considered, and carried over for further consideration.

The application of Mr. Charles W. Hepner for $100 was also heard and continued to a future meeting.

The following report was read and adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DIFFERENCES BETWEEN REV. A. A. J. BUSHONG AND IMMANUEL CHURCH, WOODSTOCK.

Your committee appointed by this body last year to adjust the matters in controversy between Rev. A. A. J. Bushong and Immanuel church, Woodstock, would respectfully report the following:

(1) That your committee notified both parties to the controversy of the action of the Ministerium and of the committee's readiness to undertake the duty for which it was appointed at a date convenient to all concerned.

(2) That replies were received from Rev. A. A. J. Bushong and the Council of Immanuel church, the former stating his willingness to

meet the committee at such time and place as might be agreed upon; the latter declining to do so, basing their declinations upon the ground that your committee was not appointed according to the requirements of the Synod's constitution as found in chapter 2, sec. 2, par. 2.

(3) That your committee recognizing the correctness of their contention felt it could proceed no further and had no other alternative than to report the matter back to this body for its consideration.

(Signed) GEO. S. BOWERS,
E. L. FOLK.

On motion, the resolution under which this committee was appointed was referred to the Synod.

On motion, the Ministerium adjourned until 4:30 p. m.

SECOND SESSION.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, TOM'S BROOK, VA.,
AUGUST 24, 1905, 4:30 P. M.

The Ministerium met, and was opened with prayer by Rev. Peter Miller.

The minutes were read and approved.

On motion after a further consideration of the application of Mr. B. F. Landes, the Ministerium declined to recommend the application.

On motion, it was ordered that $100 be appropriated to aid Mr. Thomas S. Cooper, provided the Executive Committee recommends him after an examination.

The following resolutions were referred to the Synod for adoption :

Resolved, 1. That this Ministerium recommends to the Synod to adopt as a rule that the candidates for the ministry accepted by this body, in both their college and seminary courses, are to be governed by this body in its direction as to the institutions they shall attend.

Resolved, 2. That this Ministerium recommends to Synod that any candidates for the ministry receiving aid from this Synod are obligated to work during their seminary vacations in any fields within our bounds, if the church or the President of Synod so desire.

Resolved, 3. That this Ministerium recommends to Synod that its candidates for the ministry, receiving aid, having completed their col-

lege and seminary courses, be obligated to give the preference to work within our bounds, provided they receive calls to our pastorates, and said calls are approved by the proper officers of Synod.

Resolved, 4. That when said candidates for the ministry, receiving aid and completing their courses in college and seminary, accept work in the weaker pastorates of this Synod at salaries less than $600 the Treasurer of this Synod shall be directed to credit their bonds with the difference.

On motion, Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., was excused from the remainder of this session of the Ministerium.

Candidate Charles W. Hepner was now brought before the Ministerium for examination.

On motion, the request of candidate Charles W. Hepner for $100 was favorably recommended to Synod.

On motion, the Ministerium adjourned with the Lord's Prayer, led by Rev. H. C. Haithcox, D. D.

THIRD SESSION.

St. Peter's Church, Tom's Brook, Va.,
August 25, 1905, 5:45 P. M.

The Ministerium met, and was led in prayer by Rev. J. A. Morehead, D. D.

The minutes were read and approved.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That candidates for the ministry receiving aid from this Synod shall receive ordination from this body unless permission to the contrary be given by the President of this Synod.*

On motion, the Ministerium adjourned.

A. D. R. HANCHER,
Secretary Evang. Luth. Ministerium of Virginia Synod.

*Note.—The resolutions recommended to the Synod by the Ministerium were adopted by the Synod.—Secretary.

DIVINE SERVICES.

ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, TOM'S BROOK, VA.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 22, 1905.

8:00 P. M.—Opening Sermon by Rev. A. D. R. Hancher, Staunton, Va.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23, 1905.

11:00 A. M.—Synodical Communion Sermon by Rev. J. M. Shreckhise, Raphine, Va.

8:00 P. M.—Educational Address by Rev. W. H. Riser, Norfolk, Va.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 1905.

11:00 A. M.—Sermon by Rev. J. I. Miller, D. D., Summit, N. J.

8:00 P. M.—Mission Address by Rev. G. E. Shuey, Harrisonburg, Va.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 25, 1905.

11:00 A. M.—Sermon by Rev. W. H. Greever, Columbia, S. C.

8:00 P. M.—Mission Address by Rev. A. J. Stirewalt, missionary elect to Japan.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26, 1905.

11:00 A. M.—Sermon by Rev. L. G. M. Miller, D. D., Charleston, S. C.

8:00 P. M.—Sermon by Rev. Y. von A. Riser, Waynesboro, Va.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 1905.

9:30 A. M.—Sunday-school addresses by Rev. J. A. Snyder, D. D., New Market, Va., and Rev. A. D. R. Hancher, Staunton, Va.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 1905.

10:30 A. M.—Sermon by Rev. H. C. Haithcox, D. D., Shepherdstown, W. Va.

8:00 P. M.—Sermon by Rev. E. L. Folk, Mt. Jackson, Va.

UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH, TOM'S BROOK, VA.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 1905.

10:30 A. M.—Sermon by Rev. W. W. J. Ritchie, Middlebrook, Va.

8:00 P. M.—Sermon by Rev. D. W. Files, Mt. Sidney, Va.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, HARRISVILLE, VA.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 1905.

10:00 A. M.—Sermon by Rev. S. L. Keller, Waynesboro, Va.

MT. SOLON, VA.

SUNDAY AUGUST 27, 1905.

3:00 P. M.—Sermon by Rev. E. A. Repass, Ph. D., Waynesboro, Va.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, STRASBURG, VA.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 27, 1905.

11:00 A. M.—Sermon by Rev. Charles F. Steck, Frederick City, Md.

8:00 P. M.—Sermon by Rev. A. D. R. Hancher, Staunton, Va.

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EVANG. LUTHERAN SYNOD OF VIRGINIA.

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Virginia met in Mt. Tabor church, Mt. Tabor, Va., Wednesday morning, August 22, 1906.

FIRST SESSION.

MT. TABOR CHURCH, AUGUSTA CO., VA.,
AUGUST 22, 1906—10 A. M.

The Synod was formally opened by the President, Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., according to the order for opening Synod, in the Book of Worship. The clerical roll was called, and the absentees noted. Lay-delegates presented their credentials, and the names of those entitled to seats in the Synod were enrolled.

CLERICAL ROLL.

MINISTERS.	POST-OFFICE.	ORDAINED.
Rev. J. M. Shreckhise	Raphine, Va., R. F. D., No. 1	1858
" J. A. Snyder, D. D	New Market, Va	1859
" P. Miller	Rio, W. Va	1860
" A. A. J. Bushong*	Strasburg, Va	1863
" H. C. Haithcox, D. D	Shepherdstown, W. Va	1872
" A. M Smith*	Stephenson, Va., R. F. D., No. 1	1876
" C. A. Marks*	Richmond, Va., 614 East Grace S.	1877
" W. J. Smith	Bloom, Frederick county, Va.	1878
" L. L. Smith, D. D.	Strasburg, Va	1880
" George S. Bowers	Winchester, Va., 126 N. Market St.	1883
" E. L. Folk	Mt. Jackson, Va	1884
" G. E. Shuey	Harrisonburg, Va	1886
" S. L. Keller	Waynesboro, Va., R. F. D., No. 3	1887
" J. A. Huffard	Luray, Va	1888
" W. P. Huddle	Madison Courthouse, Va	1888
" H. F. Scheele	Staunton, Va	1888
" J. H. Wyse	Staunton, Va., R. F. D., No. 7	1888
" P. J. Wade	Wardensville, W. Va	1891
" J. A. Morehead, D D.	Salem, Va	1892
" A. D. R. Hancher	Staunton, Va., 9 Fayette St	1892
" J. F. W. Kitzmeyer	Woodstock, Va	1893
" E. A. Shenk	Newport News, Va., 101 27th St	1895
" C. W. Cassell	Stephens City, Va.	1896
" D. W. Files	Mt. Sidney, Va	1896
" C. E. Hershberger*	Stony Man, Va	1896
" J. W. Shuey	Lexington, Va., R. F. D., No. 1	1897
" W. H. Riser	Norfolk, Va., 169 Wood St	1898
" W. W. J. Ritchie	Churchville, Va	1898
" E. A. Repass, Ph. D	Waynesboro, Va., R. F. D., No. 2	1900
" J. M. Tise	Jadwyn, Va	1903

*Absent and excused.

REGISTER.

NUMBER.	PASTORATES.	CHURCHES.	PASTORS.
1	Bethany	Bethany	Rev. J. W. Shuey.
2	Bethlehem	Bethlehem	Rev. E. A. Repass, Ph. D.
3	Buena Vista	Trinity	Vacant.
4	Spring Valley	New Mt. Olive, Spring Valley	Rev. J. M. Shreckhise.
5	Capon	Hebron, St. Peter, Trinity, Trout Run, and Fairview	Rev. P. J. Wade.
6	Churchville	St. Peter, Pleasant View	Rev. W. W. J. Ritchie.
7	Gravel Springs	Bethel, Fremont, Gravel Springs, St. John, St. James	Rev. W. J. Smith.
8	Harrisonburg	Muhlenberg	Rev. G. E. Shuey
9	Lebanon	Lebanon	Vacant.
10	Madison	Hebron, Mt. Pisgah	Rev. W. P. Huddle.
11	Mt. Jackson	Mt. Calvary, Bethel, St. James	Rev. E. L. Folk.
12	Mason	New Haven, New Hope, White, Zion	Rev. W. W. Frey.
13	Middlebrook	Holy Trinity, Newport, St. Mark.	Vacant.
14	Mt. Tabor	Mt. Tabor	Rev. J. H. Wyse.
15	New Market	St. Matthew, St. Mark, St. Martin.	Rev. J. A. Snyder, D. D.
16	Newport News	Trinity	Rev. E. A. Shenk.
17	Norfolk	First Church	Rev. W. H. Riser.
18	North River	North River, Saint James, and Mt. Moriah	Rev. Peter Miller.
19	Luray	Bethlehem, St. Mark, Ebenezer	Rev. J. A. Huffard.
20	Richmond	First English Lutheran Church	Rev. C. A. Marks.
21	Rockingham	Frieden, St. John, Trinity	Vacant.
22	Shenandoah	Mt. Zion, St Luke	Rev. J M. Tise.
23	Shepherdstown	St. Peter, St. James	Rev. H. C. Haithcox, D. D.
24	Staunton	Christ	Rev. A. D. R. Hancher.
25	Stephens City	Trinity, St. Paul	Rev. C. W. Cassell.
26	Strasburg	St. Paul, St. Peter	Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D.
27	Smithfield	Gerardstown, Middleway	Vacant.
28	Salem	Salem, Melanchthon Chapel, Saint James	Rev. D. W. Files.
29	Waynesboro	Grace	Vacant.
30	Winchester	Grace	Rev. George S. Bowers.
31	Woodstock	Emmanuel	Rev. J. F. W. Kitzmeyer.
32	Page	St. Peter	Vacant.
33	Zion-St. James	Zion, St. James	Rev. S. L. Keller.

LAY-DELEGATES.

Bethany, J. L. Teaford; Bethlehem, J. M. Coiner; Capon, C. H. Cline; Churchville, N. B. Hulvey; Gravel Springs, I. B. Frye; Harrisonburg, M. L. Rutherford; Luray, Joseph Hammers; Madison, J. Irvin Graves; Middlebrook, Fishburne Cale; Mt. Jackson, E. A. Lutz; Mt. Tabor, C. E. Clemmer; Newport News, John P. Weikel; Norfolk, A. L. Woodin; Rockingham, S. T. Shank; Salem, C. B. Dull; Shepherdstown, Mayberry McKee; Shenandoah, C. W. Hepner; Spring Valley, O. S. Strole; Stephens City, J. M. Snapp; Staunton, Raleigh G. Koiner; Waynesboro, J. C. Henkel; Woodstock, M. Coffman; Zion-St. James, A. H. Towberman.

The President, Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., read his report, which was received, and laid on the table for future action.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

DEAR BRETHREN:—This convention of Synod convenes after another year of work for the upbuilding of the kingdom of God among men. Looking back over the past year and remembering the goodness of God to our pastors and congregations our voices would praise His name for His care and blessing and guidance. Our pastors have been preserved in health and strength of mind and body, and our people have been blessed, not only with great prosperity in material things, but have had the greatest of all blessings—the privileges of the church and all the means of grace. Remembering and recounting the favors bestowed upon us as a people by our Heavenly Father, both pastors and people from hearts full of gratitude for past blessings should rededicate themselves to Him and His service, and yearn to be more faithful and useful in His kingdom.

As required by the constitution, I now submit a brief statement of my official acts, and of such matters as it is proper that I should bring to your attention.

THE TIME OF MEETING.

The Synod adjourned to meet August 1, 1906, the phase of the moon making the time so early in the month of August. This date was not satisfactory to the Mt. Tabor brethren, and I felt certain would be too early for the clerical members of Synod, curtailing the synodical year nearly a month. The church council of Mt. Tabor having requested a change of date and a petition by the required number of ministers having been presented to me, I changed the date from August 1st to August 21st. For my authority for making this change, see Constitution, Chapter 2, Section 1, paragraph 4. I trust this change of time will be approved by the Synod.

RESIGNATIONS.

October 11, 1905, Rev. W. W. J. Ritchie informed me that he had resigned the Middlebrook pastorate, to take effect October 31, 1905.

April 6, 1906, Rev. Y. Von A. Riser informed me that he had resigned Grace church, Waynesboro, to take effect May 1, 1906.

June 20, 1906, Rev. W. B. Oney informed me that he had resigned the Rockingham pastorate, to take effect July 22, 1906.

DISMISSIONS.

February 22, 1906, I dismissed Rev. V. R. Stickley to the North Carolina Synod.

July 2, 1906, I dismissed Rev. W. B. Oney to the East Ohio Synod.

May 27, 1906, I dismissed Rev. Y. Von A. Riser to the Georgia Synod.

CALLS ACCEPTED.

November 18, 1905, Rev. J. Fred. W. Kitzmeyer informed me that he had accepted a call to Emmanuel church, Woodstock.

October 11, 1905, Rev. W. W. J. Ritchie informed me that he had accepted a call to the Churchville pastorate, to begin work November 1, 1905.

December 20, 1905, Rev. J. M. Shreckhise informed me that he accepted a call to New Mt. Olives and Spring Valley churches of the Buena Vista pastorate, the Southern Conference having provided for Buena Vista.

June 7, 1906, Rev. J. M. Tise informed me that he had accepted a call to the Shenandoah pastorate, and began work June 1, 1906.

August 15, 1906, Rev. W. W. Frey notified me that he had accepted a call to the Mason pastorate, and began work July 30, 1905.

CREDENTIALS.

October 11, 1905, Rev. P. J. Wade put into my hands a regular letter of dismissal from the North Carolina Synod, transferring him to this body.

November 22, 1905, Rev. J. Fred. W. Kitzmeyer put in my hands a regular letter of dismissal from the Synod of New York and New Jersey, transferring him to this body.

INSTALLATIONS.

November 15, 1905, Rev. C. W. Cassell was installed as pastor of the Stephens City pastorate, Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., conducting the service.

February 4, 1906, Rev. J. Fred. W. Kitzmeyer was installed as pastor of Emmanuel church, Woodstock, Rev. G. S. Bowers conducting the service.

CHURCH DEDICATIONS.

Oct. 30, 1905, the new Bethany church, near Lexington, Va., Rev. J. W. Shuey, pastor, was dedicated, the Rev. L. A. Fox, D. D., preaching the sermon and the pastor and the members of the Southern Conference taking part in the service. This is a brick church, built in a substantial and churchly manner, having vestibule, a recess, and tower. It is complete in its appointments and well adapted to the needs of this congregation, and is a great credit to pastor and people. The church was dedicated free of debt which speaks in volumes of the church love of this people, and the success of this effort should be inspiring to other congregations of our Synod.

October 30, 1906, the new and commodious Ebenezer church, North River pastorate, Rev. Peter Miller, pastor, was solemnly dedicated to Almighty God, the dedicatory sermon being preached by Rev. G. S. Bowers, and also participating in the services Rev. P. J. Wade and the pastor. The edifice is a great testimony to the church love of our

people on North River, and the Synod congratulates them and the pastor on this successful work. The church was dedicated free of debt and cost about $2,000.

June 24, 1906, the First Church of Norfolk was dedicated, free of debt, to the worship and service of the Triune God, the President of Synod preaching the dedicatory sermon, and the pastor, Rev. W. H. Riser, conducting the liturgical service. This congregation has now one of the most beautiful and handsome edifices within our bounds, complete in all of its appointments. Recalling the struggles of this congregation by the sea and their disastrous fire, destroying their former church home, this new sanctuary speaks of the zeal, devotion, liberality and self-sacrifice of the pastor and congregation. And inasmuch as our Synod has been in no small degree a nursing mother to this congregation, it rejoices us to know that they have attained their majority and from Jan. 1, 1907, will be self-sustaining.

NEW PARSONAGE.

An elegant and commodious parsonage was built during the year in the Zion-St. James pastorate, and is now occupied by the pastor Rev. S. L. Keller. The building was erected on the beautiful site owned by the congregation, one mile west of the growing town of Waynesboro, Va., and reflects great credit upon pastor and people.

ORPHAN HOME DEBT.

I am glad to report to the Synod that the sum total of our contributions to the Orphan Home Debt amounts to $2923.09, almost 50 cents per capita. The Treasurer's report will indicate how generally our people responded to this great cause, and it is earnestly desired that those congregations not contributing to this cause, will do so at the earliest practical date, so that not one shall fail in doing something for this cause. I would suggest that the Synod seek the reason for the few delinquents and adopt some method to give them yet an opportunity to contribute to liquidate this debt.

THE SEMINARY DEBT.

The Synod must provide at this meeting to meet the second bond of $333.33, due October 1, 1906. Not only must this bond be paid, but also the interest due on the four bonds unpaid, the interest becoming due Oct. 1, 1906. The interest will be $66.77. With the payment of the bond due in October one-half of the $2,000 debt will be paid, and I am sure the Synod will rejoice in its payment.

VACANCIES.

At the present time, Grace church, Waynesboro, the Rockingham pastorate, and Middlebrook pastorate are vacant. These pastorates

are arranging to call pastors, and it is to be hoped will soon have ministers to care for their spiritual needs and to give them the bread of life.

HISTORIC GROUND.

I would call the attention of Synod to the fact that our Synod meets in its 77th convention on historic ground. As long as our beloved church lives and has her work in this land, it should not be forgotten that not the least of the great movements for her growth and upbuilding were inaugurated here by one of the early pastors of Mt. Tabor, the lamented Rev. Dr. D. F. Bittle, an educational work which finally became Roanoke College. The officers of Synod have arranged to have this history and the blessed work and influence of Roanoke College presented during our convention, assured that in refreshing our memories with this history and reviewing the work of Roanoke College for the church, the pastors and people of this Synod will be stimulated out of gratitude for the past and inspired by all that the college means to the church in Virginia for the future, to aid liberally in its financial support in its still better work for the church. I feel sure that the program of services for Thursday will be approved by the Synod.

CONCLUSION.

I now return to the Synod the trust committed to me, with the hope that the Great Head of the Church may direct us in our efforts to glorify Him and to advance His kingdom among men.

Fraternally,

Mt. Tabor church, Augusta county, Va. L. L. SMITH.
August 22, 1906.

The Secretary read his report, which was received for future action.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The following report is submitted for the past synodical year:

1. The Minutes were printed in their usual excellent style by Henkel & Co., New Market, Va., and distributed at a cost of $101.01.

2. Reduced rates for this meeting of the Synod were secured over the Southern, Baltimore & Ohio, and Norfolk & Western railroads.

3. Five hundred programs for Roanoke College Day were printed at a cost of $1.75.

4. The amount for postage, stationery, &c., in the discharge of the duties of this office for the year is $4.56.

A. D. R. HANCHER, SEC.

The Treasurer read his report, which was received for future action.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL APPORTIONMENTS AND RECEIPTS FROM SUNDAY-SCHOOLS OF VIRGINIA SYNOD OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH FOR SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST 11, 1906.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL—PASTORATE.	Apportioned.	Received.
Bethany—Bethany	$ 8 00	$ . . .
Bethlehem—Bethlehem	6 00	. . .
Grace—Waynesboro	6 00	. . .
Spring Valley—Buena Vista	3 00	. . .
Trinity—Buena Vista	2 00	. . .
Hebron—Capon	5 00	5 00
St. Peter's—Capon	5 00	5 00
Mt. Moriah—North River	2 00	2 00
North River—North River	4 00	4 00
St. Peter's—Churchville	2 00	. . .
Pleasant View—Churchville	4 00	. . .
Bethel—Gravel Springs	8 00	8 00
Fremont—Gravel Springs	1 00	1 00
Gravel Springs—Gravel Springs	5 00	5 00
St. John—Gravel Springs	8 00	8 00
St. James—Gravel Springs	5 00	5 00
Muhlenberg—Harrisonburg	10 00	. . .
Lebanon—Lebanon	5 00	. . .
St. Paul—Stephens City	5 00	5 00
Hebron—Madison	15 00	15 00
Mt. Pisgah—Madison	1 00	1 00
Mt. Calvary—Mt. Jackson	6 00	6 00
Bethel—Mt. Jackson	2 50	2 50
St. James—Mt. Jackson	2 50	. . .
New Haven—Mason	2 00	. . .
New Hope—Mason	1 00	. . .
White—Mason	2 00	. . .
Zion—Mason	1 00	. . .
Holy Trinity—Middlebrook	5 00	. . .
Mt. Hermon—Middlebrook	1 50	. . .
St. Mark's—Middlebrook	3 50	. . .
Mt. Tabor—Mt. Tabor	10 00	. . .
St. Matthew's—New Market	4 00	4 00
St. Mark's—New Market	2 00	. . .
St. Martin—New Market	2 00	2 00
First Church—Norfolk	10 00	10 00
Bethlehem—Luray	1 00	. . .
St. Mark's—Luray	8 00	. . .
Ebenezer—Luray	5 00	. . .
First English Church—Richmond	15 00	15 00
Frieden's—Rockingham	3 00	3 00
St. John's—Rockingham	3 00	. . .
Mt. Zion—Shenandoah	1 50	1 50
St. Luke's—Shenandoah	1 50	. . .
St. Peter's—Shepherdstown	20 00	20 00
Uvilla—Shepherdstown	10 00	10 00
Christ Church—Staunton	20 00	20 00
Trinity—Stephens City	10 00	10 00
St. Paul's—Stephens City	5 00	. . .
St. Paul's—Strasburg	15 00	15 00
St. Peter's—Strasburg	10 00	10 00
Salem—Salem	12 00	12 00
Melanchthon Chapel—Salem	5 00	5 00
St. James—Salem	5 00	5 00
Zion—Zion-St. James	8 00	. . .
St. James—Zion-St. James	8 00	. . .
Grace Church—Winchester	100 00	100 00
Emmanuel—Woodstock	25 00	25 00
Smithfield—Middleway	2 00	. . .
St. Peter's—Shenandoah City	2 00	. . .
Newport News	5 00	. . .
	$465 00	$340 00

Apportionments and Receipts of different pastorates of the Virginia Synod

Index Number.	PASTORATE.	THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.		BENEFICIARY EDUCATION.		SPECIAL SYNODICAL HOME MISS. FUND.		SYNODICAL FUND.		HOME MISSIONS.	
		Apportioned.	Received.	Apportioned.	Received.	Apportioned.	Received.	Apportioned.	Received.	Apportioned.	Received.
1	Bethany	$ 3 00	$ 1 00	$ 3 00	$ 3 00	$ 7 00	$ 11 00	$ 8 00	$ 6 00	$ 28 00	$ 17 00
2	Bethlehem	5 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	8 00	8 00	5 00	5 00	14 00	14 00
3	Capon	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	16 00	16 00
4	Churchville { St Peter / Pleasant View.	2 00	. . .	3 00	1 28	4 00	4 00	2 50	2 50	6 00	6 00
		2 00	. . .	3 00	3 17	4 00	4 00	5 00	5 00	8 00	8 00
	Gravel Springs	7 00	. . .	6 00	6 00	10 00	10 00	15 00	20 50	65 00	50 00
5	Harrisonburg	3 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	5 00	5 00	4 00	4 00	18 00	18 00
6	Luray { Ebenezer	1 00	50	1 00	1 00	1 50	1 50	2 00	2 00	7 50	7 50
		2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	3 00	3 00	4 50	4 50	9 00	9 00
7	{ St. Mark / Bethlehem	1 00	. . .	1 00	. . .	1 00	1 00	2 75	2 75	6 00	3 00
8	Madison { Pisgah / Hebron	1 00	. . .	3 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 75	2 15	2 00	2 71
		12 00	. . .	8 00	3 58	20 00	10 00	25 00	25 00	90 00	90 00
9	Mt. Jackson	4 00	6 00	7 50	10 50	17 00	25 00	20 00	24 16	87 00	122 99
10	Mason { New Hope	. . .	23	. . .	34	. . .	89	. . .	82	. . . .	3 87
		2 00	. . .	3 00	58	8 00	50	7 50	1 42	35 00	1 20
	{ New Haven	. . .	46	. . .	68	. . .	1 00	. . .	1 70	. . . .	3 89
	{ White	. . .	95	. . .	1 43	. . .	1 00	. . .	3 58	. . . .	5 97
11	Middlebrook { Holy Trinity	2 00	. . .	3 75	. . .	5 00	. . . .	5 00	. . .	20 00	. . . .
	{ St. Mark	1 00	. . .	1 25	. . .	2 50	. . . .	2 00	. . .	9 00	. . . .
	{ Mt. Hermon	1 00	. . .	1 00	. . .	1 00	. . . .	1 50	. . .	6 00	. . . .
12	Mt. Tabor	8 00	8 00	6 00	6 00	14 00	17 50	15 00	15 00	65 00	65 00
13	New Market { St. Matthew.	5 00	. . .	4 00	4 00	14 00	. . . .	9 00	9 00	45 00	36 19
	{ St. Mark	4 00	. . .	3 00	. . .	7 00	7 00	3 00	3 00	14 00	4 64
	{ St. Martin	4 00	. . .	3 00	. . .	7 00	5 50	3 00	3 00	14 00	5 00
14	Newport News	2 00	2 00	3 00	3 00	7 00	7 00	5 00	5 00	8 00	8 00
15	Norfolk	2 00	2 00	3 00	3 00	7 00	7 00	7 00	7 00	20 00	20 00
16	North River	4 00	4 00	3 00	3 00	8 00	8 00	5 00	5 00	19 00	19 00
17	Page—St. Peter	2 00	. . .	3 00	. . .	3 50	. . . .	3 00	. . .	2 00	. . . .
18	Richmond	4 00	4 00	4 00	4 00	8 00	8 00	8 00	8 00	22 50	22 50
19	Rockingham	3 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	5 00	5 00	7 00	7 00	24 00	25 08
20	Shenandoah { Mt. Zion	2 00	. . .	3 00	3 00	4 00	6 00	3 00	3 00	15 00	2 50
		1 00	22	2 00	. . .	3 00	. . . .	2 00	2 00	10 00	. . . .
	{ St. Luke	2 00	2 00	3 00	3 00	4 00	4 00	5 00	5 00	22 00	5 36
	{ Lebanon	8 00	8 00	7 50	15 00	20 00	20 00	25 00	20 00	66 00	66 00
21	Shepherdstown { St. Peter.	4 00	. . .	5 00	. . .	12 00	2 22	12 00	12 00	34 00	10 50
	{ St. James	3 00	. . .	3 00	. . .	4 00	. . . .	4 00	. . .	10 00	. . . .
22	Spring Val. { Buena Vista	1 00	1 00	1 50	1 50	3 50	3 50	1 50	1 50	3 50	3 50
	{ New Mt. Olive.	1 00	1 00	1 50	1 50	3 50	3 50	1 50	1 50	3 50	3 50
	{ Spring Valley	5 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	10 00	10 00	17 00	17 00	42 00	38 84
23	Salem	7 00	7 00	8 00	8 00	20 00	26 00	20 00	20 00	70 00	63 07
24	Staunton	1 50	1 50	4 00	4 00	14 00	14 00	12 00	12 00	30 00	30 00
25	Strasburg { St. Paul	1 50	1 50	4 00	4 00	14 00	14 00	10 00	10 00	25 00	25 00
	{ St. Peter	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	4 00	4 00	5 00	5 00	22 00	22 00
26	Stephen's City { St. Paul	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	3 50	3 50	7 00	7 00	20 00	20 00
	{ Trinity	2 00	2 00	3 00	3 00	7 00	. . . .	5 00	6 76	5 00	. . . .
27	Waynesboro	2 00	2 00	3 00	3 00	7 00	. . . .	5 00	6 76	5 00	. . . .
28	Winchester	15 00	15 00	15 00	15 00	50 00	50 00	75 00	75 00	225 00	225 00
29	Woodstock	9 00	9 00	6 00	6 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	35 00	35 00
30	Zion-St. James	7 00	5 00	7 50	5 00	14 00	8 00	15 00	10 00	70 00	30 00
31	Amount on hand last year	. . .	15 35	. . .	73 49	. . .	683 64	. . .	. . .	. . . .	. . . .
	Totals	$163 00	$121 71	$169 50	$218 05	$395 00	$1030 25	$420 50	$403 84	$1368 00	$1164 81

of the Evangelical Lutheran Church, for year ending Aug. 11, 1906.

Index Number.	FOREIGN MISSIONS.		ORPHAN HOME.		ROANOKE COLLEGE.	ORPHAN HOME DEBT.	VA. BIBLE SOCIETY.	TOTAL.			
	Apportioned.	Received.	Apportioned.	Received.	Received.	Received.	Received.	Apportioned.	Received.	Overpaid.	Deficit.
1	$ 18 00	$ 26 48	$ 7 00	$ 3 00	$ 8 57	$ 52 45	. . . .	$ 74 00	$ 128 50	$ 54 50	. . .
2	7 00	7 00	3 00	3 00	5 00	. . . . .	. . . .	45 00	50 00	5 00	. . .
3	10 00	11 66	5 00	5 00	5 00	25 73	. . . .	43 00	75 39	32 39	. . .
4	6 00	6 00	2 00	2 00	. . .	13 88	. . . .	25 50	35 66	10 16	. . .
	5 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	. . .	3 87	. . . .	30 00	32 04	2 04	. . .
5	50 00	53 00	25 00	40 00	. . .	90 70	. . . .	178 00	270 20	92 20	. . .
6	10 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	. . .	. . . . .	. . . .	48 00	48 00	. . . .	. . .
7	5 00	5 00	2 50	2 50	. . .	2 00	. . . .	20 50	22 00	1 50	. . .
	6 00	11 00	4 00	7 50	2 47	28 75	. . . .	30 50	70 22	39 72	. . .
	4 00	2 07	2 00	2 00	1 77	13 23	. . . .	17 75	25 82	8 07	. . .
8	1 00	. . . .	1 00	1 00	1 00	22 26	. . . .	12 75	33 12	20 37	. . .
	50 00	50 00	25 00	25 00	6 00	254 99	$ 5 60	230 00	470 17	240 17	. . .
9	45 00	65 68	17 50	24 83	. . .	118 19	. . .	198 00	397 35	199 35	. . .
10	20 00	2 22 87 2 00 2 00	10 00	1 11 50 1 00 2 00	. .	. . . . .	. . . .	85 50	9 48 5 07 10 73 16 93	. . . .	43 29
	10 00	. . . .	5 00	. . .	3 33	. . . . .	. . . .	50 75	3 33	. . . .	47 42
11	7 00	. . . .	1 50	. . .	. . .	. . . . .	. . . .	24 25	. . . .	. . . .	24 25
	3 00	. . . .	1 00	. . .	. . .	. . . . .	. . . .	14 50	. . . .	. . . .	14 50
12	40 00	40 00	15 00	15 00	5 27	16 25	. . . .	163 00	188 02	25 02	. . .
13	20 00	40 43	5 00	19 23	. . .	43 00	. . . .	102 00	151 85	49 85	. . .
	10 00	. . . .	4 00	4 00	. . .	7 81	. . . .	45 00	26 45	. . . .	18 55
	10 00	5 00	4 00	4 00	. . .	18 50	. . . .	45 00	41 00	. . . .	4 00
14	7 00	7 00	3 00	9 44	5 92	50 32	. . . .	35 00	97 68	62 68	. . .
15	15 00	15 00	7 00	21 00	5 00	48 00	. . . .	61 00	128 00	67 00	. . .
16	10 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	20 00	46 52	. . . .	54 00	120 52	66 52	. . .
17	2 00	. . . .	1 00	. . .	. . .	. . . . .	. . . .	16 50	. . . .	. . .	16 50
18	7 00	22 08	7 00	61 44	18 60	166 50	12 00	60 50	326 12	265 62	. . .
19	15 00	15 00	7 50	7 50	10 00	17 00	. . . .	64 50	92 58	28 08	. . .
20	18 00	2 50	2 50	2 50	. . .	. . . . .	. . . .	47 50	19 50	. . . .	28 00
	7 00	. . . .	2 50	1 00	. . .	. . . . .	. . . .	27 50	3 22	. . . .	24 28
	10 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	. . .	10 35	. . . .	49 00	35 71	. . . .	13 29
21	40 00	40 00	20 00	12 49	6 71	28 20	. . . .	186 50	216 40	29 90	. . .
	20 00	15 00	10 00	5 60	. . .	15 50	. . . .	97 00	60 82	. . . .	36 18
22	8 00	. . . .	3 00	. . .	. . .	7 60	. . . .	35 00	7 60	. . . .	27 40
	3 50	8 07	1 00	1 00	1 00	25 15	1 50	15 50	47 72	32 22	. . .
	3 50	3 50	1 00	1 00	50	7 00	1 50	15 50	24 50	9 00	. . .
23	30 00	30 00	7 50	7 50	7 76	201 00	. . . .	114 50	320 10	205 60	. . .
24	40 00	62 00	20 00	20 00	22 00	163 35	. . . .	185 00	391 42	206 42	. . .
25	18 00	26 85	7 50	25 00	7 50	125 00	. . . .	87 00	245 85	158 85	. . .
	15 00	15 00	7 50	7 50	5 00	93 03	3 00	77 00	178 03	101 03	. . .
26	10 00	13 03	2 50	2 50	3 00	34 50	. . . .	47 50	88 03	40 53	. . .
	12 00	16 82	5 00	10 39	1 00	45 11	. . . .	50 50	106 82	56 32	. . .
27	4 00	9 75	3 00	6 60	2 65	13 00	. . . .	29 00	43 76	14 76	. . .
28	750 00	652 42	55 00	55 00	82 19	944 00	. . . .	1185 00	2113 61	928 61	. . .
29	25 00	38 00	9 00	60 00	9 90	91 62	. . . .	124 00	289 52	165 52	. . .
30	40 00	42 89	13 00	28 00	. . .	78 73	. . . .	166 50	207 62	41 12	. . .
31	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . . . .	. . . .	. . . .	772 48	. . . .	. . .
	$1447 00	$1392 32	$351 00	$524 13	$247 14	$ 2923 09	$ 23 60	$4314 00	$8048 94	$3260 12	$297 66

Sunday-Schools 340 00

Woman's $20,000 Mission Fund . . 7 50

Total $8395 44

EXPENDITURES MADE BY M. COFFMAN, TREASURER, FROM THE DIFFERENT FUNDS DURING THE SYNODICAL YEAR ENDING AUGUST 11, 1906.

FROM THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FUND.

DR.

Aug. 11.	To amt. paid C. M. Efird, Treasurer	$	100 00

CR.

Aug. 11.	By balance in Treasurer's hands	$	21 71

FROM BENEFICIARY EDUCATION FUND.

DR.

1905.			
Sept. 21.	To amt. paid Thos. S. Cooper and 2 other dates. .	$	100 00
Sept. 9.	To amt. paid C. W. Hepner and 3 other dates . .		100 00

CR.

	By balance in Treasurer's hands.	$	18 05

FROM SPECIAL SYNODICAL HOME MISSION FUND AND FROM SUNDAY-SCHOOL ASSESSMENTS FOR SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

DR.

1905.			
Sept. 14.	To amt. paid D. M. Canup for Aug. and Sept. . .	$	16 33
Sept. 28.	To amt. paid Geo. E. Shuey and 11 other items. .		275 00
1906.			
Jan. 30.	To amt. paid W. W. J. Ritchie and 2 other items .		93 75
Feb. 5.	To amt. paid P. J. Wade and 3 other items . . .		100 00

CR.

Aug. 11.	By balance in Treasurer's hands	$	545 17
	By balance in Sunday-schools		340 00
		$	885 17

FROM SYNODICAL FUND.

DR.

1905.			
Sept. 8.	To amt. paid sexton St. Peter's church—Synod. .	$	5 00
Sept. 14.	To amt. paid L. L. Smith for Mrs. Julia L. Cullen, bond and interest to Oct. 1, 1905		366 67
Sept. 14.	To amt. paid Rev. W. P. Huddle, interest on 2 bonds to same date		33 33
Sept. 14.	To amt. paid C. W. Heater, Treas. Pastors' Fund Society, int. on 1 bond to same date		16 66
Oct. 5.	To amt. paid A. D. R. Hancher, Sec., sal. and exp.,		17 10
1906.			
Aug. 1.	To amt. paid L. L. Smith, exps. to United Synod		8 75
Aug. 1.	To amt. paid W. J. Smith, exps. to United Synod		8 75
Aug. 1.	To amt. paid N. F. Snarr, exps. to United Synod		8 75

Aug. 1.	To amt. paid W. H. Riser, exps. to United Synod	7 55	
Aug. 11.	To amt. paid A. D. R. Hancher, exps. to U. S. . .	6 65	
Aug. 8.	To amt. paid Henkel & Co., printing Minutes . .	101 01	
Aug. 11.	To amt. paid M. Coffman, Treas., salary	50 00	
Aug. 11.	To amt. paid same, postage and stationery	7 00	
			$ 637 22

DR.

Aug. 11. To amt. overpaid and due Treasurer . . . . . $ 276 01

FROM HOME MISSION FUND UNITED SYNOD.

1906. DR.

April 17. To amt. paid John A. Cline, Treas., and 1 other item $1164 81

FROM FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

1906. DR.

April 17. To amt. paid John A. Cline, Treas., and 1 other item $1392 32

ORPHAN HOME FUND—CURRENT EXPENSES.

1905. DR.

Nov. 7.	To amt. paid Paul S. Davis, Treas., and 3 other items	499 13	
Jan. 11.	To amt. paid same by Strasburg Sunday-school. .	25 00	
			$ 524 13

FROM ROANOKE COLLEGE FUND.

1906. DR.

Feb. 1. To amt. paid W. H. Ruthrauff, Treas., and 1 other item . . . . . $ 247 14

FROM VIRGINIA BIBLE SOCIETY FUND.

1906. DR.

June 28. To amt. paid Rev. W. S. Campbell, Secy., and other items . . . . . $ 23 60

FROM WOMEN'S $20,000 MISSION FUND.

1906. DR.

Aug. 11. To amt. paid John A. Cline, Treas. U. S. . . . . $ 7 50

RECEIPTS FOR 1905–6, INCLUDING BALANCES ON HAND.

Theological Seminary		$ 121 71
Beneficiary Education		218 05
Special Synodical Home Missions	$1030 25	
Special Synodical Sunday-schools	340 00	1370 25

Synodical Fund	403 84
Home Missions, United Synod	1164 81
Foreign Missions	1392 32
Orphan Home—current expenses	524 13
Orphan Home—on debt	2923 09
Roanoke College	247 14
Women's $20,000 Mission Fund—Shepherdstown L. A. Society, St. Peter's, $5; St. James, Mt. Jackson, $1.50; Mrs. Lydia Sheetz, Woodstock, $1	7 50
Virginia Bible Society	23 60
	$8396 44

EXPENDITURES FOR 1905–1906.

Theological Seminary	$ 100 00
Beneficiary Education	200 00
Special Synodical H. M. Fund and from Sunday-schools combined	485 08
Synodical Fund	679 85
Home Mission Fund, United Synod	1164 81
Foreign Missions	1392 32
Orphan Home—current expenses	524 13
Orphan Home—on debt	2923 09
Roanoke College	247 14
Women's $20,000 Mission Fund	7 50
Virginia Bible Society	23 60
Balance in Treasurer's hands	648 92
	$8396 44

BALANCES IN TREASURER'S HANDS.

Theological Seminary Fund		$ 21 71
Beneficiary Education Fund		18 05
Special Synodical Home Missions	$545 17	
Special Synodical S. S. Assessments	340 00	885 17
		$ 924 93
Synodical Fund, amount due Treasurer		276 01
		$ 648 92

FUNDED ASSETS IN TREASURER'S HANDS.

Synodical Foreign Mission Fund in 5 per cent. certificate Valley B. & L. Association	$ 250 00
Interest capitalized to July 18, 1906, and there is in Treasurer's hands bal. interest not capitalized	2 27

WOMEN'S $20,000 MISSION FUND.

In 5 per cent. certificate Valley B. & L. Association $561 82
Interest in Treasurer's hands 21 17

Respectfully submitted,

M. COFFMAN, TREASURER.

Mt. Tabor church, Mt. Tabor, Va.,
August 22, 1906.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

President—Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D.
Vice-President—Rev. Geo. S. Bowers.
Secretary—Rev. A. D. R. Hancher.
Treasurer—M. Coffman, Esq.

On motion, the business hours were made as follows: 9:30–11 a. m., 2–5 p. m.

On motion, the Synod adjourned. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D.

SECOND SESSION.

MT. TABOR CHURCH, AUGUSTA COUNTY, VA.,
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22, 1906, 2 P. M.

The Synod was opened with devotional exercises by Rev. J. M. Shreckhise. The roll was called. The minutes were read and approved.

The following report was read and adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

The papers, placed in the hands of your committee, are as follows: The regular dismissal of Rev. P. J. Wade, signed by the President of the North Carolina Synod; and Rev. J. Fred. W. Kitzmeyer, signed by the President of the Synod of New York and New Jersey; and Rev. J. M. Tise, signed by the President of the Southwestern Virginia Synod.

These brethren are transferred to this Synod, and hereby cordially received.

As to Rev. W. W. Frey of the Pittsburg Synod of the General Council, your committee recommend that he be received as a mem-

ber of this body, and that his name be placed on the roll when his credentials come into the hands of the President of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. SNYDER,
W. J. SMITH,
J. M. SHRECKHISE,
J. A. MOREHEAD.

On motion, the following were received as advisory members: Rev. C. J. Smith, of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania; Rev. John C. Bowers, of the Maryland Synod; Rev. R. C. Holland, D. D., of the North Carolina Synod; Rev. L. G. M. Miller, D. D., Rev. L. A. Fox, D. D., Rev. C. L. Brown, of the Southwestern Virginia Synod; Rev. W. H. Greever, of the South Carolina Synod; and J. I. Coiner, student of theology.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The President announced the following Standing Committees:

1. *President's Report.*—Revs. E. A. Repass, Ph. D., G. E. Shuey, Peter Miller, and Messrs. Raleigh G. Koiner and O. S. Strole.

2. *Treasurer's Report.*—Messrs. J. C. Henkel, Mayberry McKee, and C. H. Cline.

3. *Secretary's Report.*—Rev. D. W. Files, and Messrs. C. B. Dull and C. W. Hepner.

4. *State of the Church.*—Revs. E. L. Folk, J. W. Shuey, and Mr. J. L. Teaford.

5. *Literary Institutions.*—Revs. C. W. Cassell, W. J. Smith, J. H. Wyse, and Messrs. S. T. Shank and A. H. Towberman.

6. *Minutes of Last Synod.*—Revs. J. A. Snyder, D. D., C. W. Cassell, and Messrs. J. M. Snapp and J. Irvin Graves.

7. *On Conferences.*—Revs. H. C. Haithcox, D. D., W. W. J. Ritchie, and Mr. M. L. Rutherford.

8. *Letters and Petitions.*—Revs. J. A. Huffard, S. L. Keller, and Mr. J. M. Coiner.

9. *Vacancies.*—Revs. E. A. Shenk, J. M. Shreckhise, J. A. Morehead, D. D., and Mr. John P. Weikel.

10. *Appropriations and Apportionments.* — Revs. W. H. Riser, W. J. Smith, E. A. Repass, Ph. D., and Messrs. A. L. Woodin, Joseph Hammers, and E. A. Lutz.

On motion, reports on the State of the Church were handed to the chairman of that committee, and parochial reports were placed in the hands of the Secretary.

On motion, Rev. R. C. Holland, D. D., President of the Board of Missions of the United Synod of the South, addressed the Synod in the interests of the Board.

On motion, Rev. W. H. Greever, editor of the *Lutheran Church Visitor,* addressed the Synod on behalf of that paper.

On motion, Mr. Henry S. Boner, superintendent of the Lutheran Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa., addressed the Synod further on the publication cause.

On motion, Rev. J. M. Souder, of the Reformed church, was recognized, and invited to a seat in the Synod.

On motion, the Synod adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. W. Shuey.

THIRD SESSION.

Mt. Tabor Church, Augusta County, Va.,
Thursday, August 23, 1906, 9:30 a. m.

The Synod was opened with devotional services by Rev. E. A. Repass, Ph. D. The roll was called. The minutes were read and approved.

On motion, Rev. C. A. Freed, of the South Carolina Synod, was made an advisory member.

On motion, Mr. I. B. Frye was enrolled as delegate from the Gravel Springs pastorate.

On motion, Rev. J. F. W. Kitzmeyer was excused from further attendance after the afternoon session.

On motion, Mr. E. A. Lutz was excused after tomorrow's session from further attendance.

On motion, Mr. A. H. Towberman was excused after today's session.

On motion, Mr. M. Coffman was excused on account of illness.

On motion, Rev. J. M. Tise was excused after today's session.

On motion, Rev. W. P. Huddle and delegate were excused after the Saturday morning session.

On motion, Messrs. O. S. Strole and C. H. Cline were excused after tomorrow's session.

The annual report of Roanoke College was read by the President of the College, Rev. J. A. Morehead, D. D., as follows:

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF ROANOKE COLLEGE.

DEAR BRETHREN:—I have the honor to submit the report of the fifty-third session of Roanoke College. For the notable prosperity of the work during the past year, our gratitude is due to Almighty God. The responsibilities of this great work could not be met except by the grace and blessing of heaven.

The attendance of students the past session was the largest in the history of the college, the enrollment having reached 202. The order was so satisfactory that the contingent deposit was returned in full. On the whole, the work of the students was earnest and faithful. The moral and religious condition at the college is very good. Eighty per cent. of the students are members of Christian churches and more than twenty-five of them have in view the holy ministry. But as encouraging as these facts are, it is felt at the college that the duty of making the Christian element in education increasingly effective is paramount at a church institution.

From other sources, it is already known that Dr. F. V. N. Painter has retired from the chair of Modern Languages. He has been in the service of Roanoke College for twenty-eight years. He will be retained in the service of the college as Lecturer on Education. John David Rodeffer, A. M. (Roanoke College), Ph. D. (Johns Hopkins), has been secured as professor of German and French. Rev. Charles J. Smith, A. B. (Roanoke College), A. M. (Princeton), was elected Assistant Professor of History and Economics, but was forced to decline on account of pressing claims in his pastorate. However, the position is held open to him as yet for a definite period. This is the first step toward the establishment of a new chair at the college.

The financial progress of the institution is encouraging. The income the past session has enabled the trustees to meet current expenses and also to pay off considerable indebtedness. To this end, the contributions of the Virginia Synod have aided materially. The management of Roanoke College is grateful to God for the encouraging aid of the Lutheran church in Virginia.

But in all frankness and faithfulness it must be said that a real crisis now confronts the two synods in Virginia in their educational work. But rather should I speak of the actual situation as presenting the special duty and privilege of a great opportunity. In the increase of student attendance, the church has been given a larger work to do through Roanoke College. The forward movement in education in the South has advanced the standard of equipment, of courses of instruction, of professorial scholarship, and of general efficiency. If its good work is to go on efficiently, the necessity of increasing Roanoke's Faculty is unquestionably urgent. The first solution of the problem of progress is found in the endowment of additional professorships. In the providence of God, $25,000 has been offered for a new endowment fund by Mr. Carnegie when $35,000 has been raised for the college. Thus the path has been open by which a stride forward may be taken for the enlargement of the work. Mr. Carnegie gives conditionally on the ground that those to whom a college belongs and who receive the chief benefit from its work, should first generously give to its support. It is encouraging to report that the Faculty, Trustees, Alumni, and other friends have already given the sum of $14,000 toward the Carnegie proposition. It is confidently believed that Salem and Roanoke will add to this growing fund several thousands of dollars. The Synod of Southwestern Virginia has resolved to endeavor to raise $5,000 outside of Roanoke and Salem. It is confidently believed that the Virginia Synod will also have the faith and courage to undertake liberal things, in the face of this great opportunity, in order to maintain the standing of Roanoke as a leading college of the State. This is the cause of the training of efficient workmen for every department of church work in all the world. The church has no more fundamental work than Christian education.

Your college needs the co-operation of pastors and people in three particulars :

1. In the great undertaking of meeting the terms of the Carnegie offer. The good work that was begun here at Mt. Tabor more than fifty years ago, may be almost doubled in a financial sense, *at a single stroke*, by promptly meeting the Carnegie proposition.

2. In the continued annual observance of "Roanoke College Day" in all congregations, at which offerings are received for the support of the work. By this means, the facts are emphasized that Christian educa-

tion is a church work, and that it deserves the support of God's people.

3. In the systematic effort to send all the sons of the church to our own Roanoke College for their preparation for life. Why should the Lutheran church in Virginia struggle to maintain a first-class college if our own people do not avail themselves of its advantages?

Assuring you of my sincere appreciation of your unfailing courtesy and co-operation, I remain,

Very fraternally yours,

J. A. MOREHEAD.

On motion, this report was placed in the hands of the following committee, to consider the items, and report at a later session.

Committee: Revs. George S. Bowers, W. J. Smith, E. L. Folk, W. P. Huddle, A. D. R. Hancher, and Messrs. Raleigh G. Koiner and A. H. Towberman.

At 10 : 45 a. m., the special program for the observance of Roanoke College Day was made the order for the remainder of the day. The Synod adjourned with prayer by Rev. L. A. Fox, D. D.

Roanoke College Day!

Mt. Tabor Evangelical Lutheran Church,

AUGUSTA COUNTY, VIRGINIA,

Thursday, August twenty-third, 1906.

10:00 A. M.: Addresses

Roanoke College—Its History:

Rev. L. A. Fox, D. D.,

Professor of Moral and Intellectual Philosophy,
Roanoke College, Salem, Virginia.

Roanoke College—Its contribution to the Church and the Church's responsibility:

Rev. A. D. R. Hancher,

Staunton, Virginia.

Roanoke College—What its enlargement means to the Church:

Rev. George S. Bowers,

Winchester, Virginia.

2:30 P. M.: Address

Mr. A. H. Snyder,

Editor "Harrisonburg Daily News,"
Harrisonburg, Virginia.

Five minute addresses by:

Rev. W. J. SMITH, Bloom, Virginia.
Rev. C. A. MARKS, Richmond, Virginia.
Rev. W. P. HUDDLE, Madison, Virginia.
Col. R. S. TURK, Editor "Spectator-Vindicator," Staunton, Virginia.
Rev. E. A. REPASS, Ph. D., Waynesboro, Virginia.
Rev. S. L. KELLER, Waynesboro, Virginia.
And others.

FOURTH SESSION.

MT. TABOR CHURCH, AUGUSTA COUNTY, VA.,
THURSDAY, AUGUST 23, 1906, 2 P. M.

The Synod was opened with prayer by Rev. W. H. Riser. The roll was called. The minutes were read and approved. On motion, the afternoon part of the Roanoke College Day program was passed over, until the committee on the Report of Roanoke College reported.

The following report was read, considered by items, and adopted as a whole :

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The committee met at Tom's Brook, August 26, 1905, and organized by the election of Rev. E. L. Folk, chairman, and Rev. George S. Bowers, secretary. Rev. W. J. Smith and Rev. Geo. S. Bowers were appointed a committee to examine Mr. T. S. Cooper applicant for beneficiary aid, and to report to Chairman of Executive Committee, the Ministerium having authorized the Executive Committee to aid Mr. Cooper to the amount of $100 if the Committee of Examination reported favorably. After receiving a favorable report from the committee, the Treasurer of Synod was authorized to furnish the aid asked for.

The Executive Committee met again in Woodstock, Feb. 5, 1906, and discussed the question of raising the balance due from our Synod on Orphan Home debt, on the basis of fifty cents per member.

At this meeting of the committee a resolution was passed to the effect that Recommendation 7, page 33 of the Minutes of Synod, 1905, relative to the support of the work of Buena Vista is not understood to obligate the Synod for a specific amount unless arrangement be made for permanent preaching, and the chairman was authorized to notify the brethren supplying that work that the committee would not furnish any aid without further direction from Synod.

The reports from our beneficiaries, C. W. Hepner and T. S. Cooper, at Roanoke College during the year, were favorable and the progress made commendable.

The church at Harrisonburg is growing, and reports from that work indicate hopeful progress.

A letter from the joint council of Capon pastorate asks for $125 to supplement their pastor's salary for one year, beginning with this meeting of Synod.

The committee recommends:

1. That Synod appropriate $150 this year to Capon pastorate to supplement salary.

2. That $275 be appropriated for the benefit of Harrisonburg Lutheran church.

3. $100 for C. W. Hepner.

4. T. S. Cooper $100.

5. A request for $150 for Waynesboro, Grace church, we recommend the consideration of this item by Ministerium.

6. Also a request from Chas. Coffelt for $100.

Respectfully submitted,

E. L. FOLK,
GEORGE S. BOWERS,
W. J. SMITH,
L. S. WALKER,
C. L. KNEISLEY.

The following report was read and adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE CHURCH.

From the character of the reports on the state of the church among our people, it seems evident that in many instances there are hopeful signs of deep and fervent piety and zeal, and yet the question above all questions in a matter so vitally essential to the life of the church, is: "How do we appear in the sight of God?" A conscientious consideration of this question leads us to an earnest desire to know our weaknesses and humbly seek divine grace to advance to a higher plain of spiritual life. True, "In many things we offend all," but as ministers, we should not neglect an honest confession of our faults while we attach much blame to our people. If our people are not active in church work, perhaps the pastor and council have failed to give them the proper kind of work to do.

If they are absent from services, perhaps in some cases the pastor or church council is in fault.

If they do not take and read the literature of the church, it may be because the pastor and council have made no concerted or earnest effort to secure their interest in this direction.

Mere signs of progress are not a sure proof of spiritual advancement to the extent of true devotion to the cause of Chirst.

Church members *ought* to be more devout and spiritual-minded, and so *ought* the ministers, the leaders and feeders of God's flock. In holy living, consecrated service, faithful endurance against all hin-

drances, the ministry must advance and *may* go forward with the full assurance that through their faithful leadership God's people will march on to victory over self and sin and to a final triumph over all the church's foes.

E. L. FOLK,
J. W. SHUEY,
J. L. TEAFORD.

The following report was read and adopted :

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCES.

Your Committee on Minutes of Conference respectfully submit the following :

1. Only the Southern Conference submitted their minutes to the committee.

2. The attention of Synod is called to the action of the Southern Conference on the dissolution of the Buena Vista pastorate and the provision made for Buena Vista. We recommend this action of conference be approved. Respectfully submitted,

H. C. HAITHCOX,
W. W. J. RITCHIE,
M. L. RUTHERFORD.

The following report was read, considered by items, and adopted as a whole.

REPORT OF PASTORS' FUND SOCIETY.

STRASBURG, VA., Aug. 14, 1906.

The Pastor's Fund Society met according to By-Law (pages 28 and 29, Minutes of Synod, 1904) at Strasburg, in the study of Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., on Tuesday at 9 a. m., August 14, 1906.

The members present were : Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., Rev. A. D. R. Hancher, and Rev. E. L Folk. Absent—Rev. W. J. Smith, Hon. C. W. Heater, and J. E. Cooper.

Rev. Smith presided and Rev. Hancher led in prayer. The minutes of the former meeting were read and approved.

Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., was elected President ; Mr. J. E. Cooper, Vice-President ; Rev. E. L. Folk, Secretary ; and Chas. W. Heater, Treasurer.

Revs. W. J. Smith and E. L. Folk were elected directors for three years, their election subject to the action of Synod at its next meeting.

Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., Rev. W. J. Smith, J. E. Cooper, and C. W. Heater were elected a Finance Committee.

In the absence of C. W. Heater, Treasurer, Rev. Smith read the

Treasurer's Report, and was appointed a committee to audit the same.

On motion, the President was authorized upon rendering his report to Synod, to call the attention of Synod to the importance of the work of this Society, and to the methods of conducting its work, and the motives that should prompt Synod to its more serious and thoughtful consideration.

An appropriatian of $50 was authorized for the benefit of Rev. A. A. J. Bushong for the ensuing year.

The rate of assessing funds was ordered to stand the same as last year, (page 21, Minutes 1905) namely: "Each congregation three cents per capita; and each pastor receiving $600 or more, ¾ of one per cent. and ½ of one per cent. on salary of each pastor receiving less than $600 per annum."

Respectfully submitted,

L. L. SMITH,
E. L. FOLK,
A. D. R. HANCHER,
W. J. SMITH,
J. E. COOPER,
C. W. HEATER.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF PASTORS' FUND SOCIETY.

1905.		RECEIPTS.	
Aug.	14.	By cash in S. V. N. Bank, Winchester, Va . . .	$202 93
Aug.	16.	From 1st Church, Richmond, Va	10 00
Aug.	21.	From 1st Lutheran church, Norfolk, Va	5 22
Aug.	21.	From Mt. Jackson pastorate	7 84
Aug.	24.	From Rev. G. E. Shuey	2 75
Aug.	24.	From Muhlenberg, Harrisonburg, Va	2 01
Aug.	24.	From Rev. W. W. J. Ritchie	2 50
Aug.	24.	From Middlebrook pastorate	3 37
Sept.	4.	From Rev. E. A. Repass	2 00
Sept.	4.	From Bethlehem	2 07
Sept.	28.	From M. Coffman, Treas. Virginia Synod, interest on Seminary bond	16 66
1906.			
Jan.	27.	By interest on deposits	2 65
Jan.	27.	By interest on bonds Nos. 22 and 59	12 00
Feb.	21.	From W. P. Huddle	4 70
Feb.	21.	From Hebron, Madison pastorate	4 58
Feb.	21.	From Mt. Pisgah, Madison pastorate	1 00
April	27.	From Christ church, Staunton, Va	6 00
April	27.	From Emmanuel, Woodstock	4 59
May	23.	From Rev. J. A. Huffard	2 50

May	24.	From Grace church, Winchester	12 22
June	12.	From Rev. Peter Miller	2 00
June	12.	From North River pastorate	6 00
July	5.	By interest on bonds Nos. 22 and 59	12 00
July	5.	By interest on deposits	3 43
July	6.	From Shepherdstown pastorate, St. Peter, $7.50; St. James, $3.90	11 40
July	7.	St. Matthew's, New Market	3 40
July	9.	Trinity, Newport News	2 32
July	18.	From Rev. J. A. Snyder, D. D	2 50
July	24.	From St. Peter's, Tom's Brook	4 20
July	25.	From Rev. C. A. Marks	10 00
July	25.	From 1st Church, Richmond, Va	10 00
July	27.	From Rev. W. B. Oney	2 00
July	27.	From Rockingham pastorate	4 00
July	30.	From Grace church, Waynesboro	2 61
Aug.	2.	From Rev. E. A. Repass	2 50
Aug.	2.	From Bethlehem pastorate	2 43
Aug.	3.	From Rev. E. A. Shenk	6 00
Aug.	3.	From Rev. J. M. Shreckhise	1 00
Aug.	3.	From Buena Vista pastorate, New Mt. Olivet, $2.25; Spring Valley, $1	3 25
Aug.	8.	From Rev. P. J. Wade	2 00
Aug.	8.	From Capon pastorate	4 38
Aug.	9.	From Rev. J. F. W. Kitzmeyer	5 00
Aug.	9.	From Rev. J. H. Wyse	4 50
Aug.	9.	From Mt. Tabor congregation	4 34
Aug.	9.	From Rev. W. J. Smith	4 50
Aug.	9.	From Gravel Springs pastorate	5 50
Aug.	9.	From Rev. George S. Bowers	9 00
Aug.	10.	From St. Paul's, Strasburg	5 76
Aug.	10.	From Rev. D. W. Files	2 50
Aug.	11.	From Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D	4 87
Aug.	11.	From Zion-St. James	6 12
Aug.	11.	From Rev. C. W. Cassell	2 50
Aug.	11.	From Trinity, Stephens City	3 75
Aug.	11.	From 1st Lutheran church, Norfolk	4 50
Aug.	11.	From St. Paul's, Stephens City	2 25
Aug.	13.	From St. Mark's, New Market pastorate	2 00
Aug.	13.	From St. Martin's, New Market pastorate	1 50
Aug.	13.	From Lebanon congregation	4 05
Aug.	13.	From Rev. S. L. Keller	5 00
Aug.	13.	From Salem pastorate	7 17
			$489 82

1905.		DISBURSEMENTS.	
Aug.	17.	Paid Rev. A. A. J. Bushong, by order of Board	$ 25 00
Aug.	24.	Paid Rev. A. D. R. Hancher, expenses attending meeting of Board, Aug. 14	2 85
Dec.	19.	Paid Rev. A. A. J. Bushong, by order of Board .	25 00
			$ 52 85

1906.		ASSETS OF THE SOCIETY.	
Aug.	14.	One Charleston City, S. C. bond, No. 59-4 per cent.	$ 500 00
Aug.	14.	One Charleston City, S. C. bond, No. 22-4 per cent.	100 00
Aug.	14.	One Virginia Synod bond (see Min., 1904, page 37)	333 33
Aug.	14.	Cash in S. V. N. Bank, Winchester	436 97
		Total	$1370 30

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. HEATER,
Treasurer Pastors' Fund Society.

Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., delivered an earnest address to the Synod, calling attention to the great good this society could do, if heartily supported by both pastors and people.

The following report was read and adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TREASURER'S REPORT.

We, the committee who were appointed for this purpose, have examined the Treasurer's Report, and find it correct.

J. C. HENKEL,
MAYBERRY McKEE,
C. H. CLINE.

The following report was read and adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Your committee have examined the Secretary's Report, and find that the duties of his office have been discharged faithfully.

We offer the following recommendations:

1. That the thanks of this body be extended to the Southern, Baltimore & Ohio, and Norfolk & Western railroads for their courtesy to this Synod.

2. That $6.31 be paid the Secretary, the said amount being the unpaid expenses of the office.

Respectfully submitted,

D. W. FILES,
C. W. HEPNER,
C. B. DULL.

On motion, the Synod proceeded to select the place of next meeting.

On motion, Rev. C. L. Altfather, of the Presbyterian church, was recognized and invited to a seat in the Synod.

NEXT MEETING.

Stephens City was selected as the place of next meeting.

TIME OF NEXT MEETING.

On motion, Tuesday before the fourth Thursday in August, 1907, was made the time.

On motion, the Synod adjourned with prayer by Rev. S. L. Keller.

FIFTH SESSION.

MT. TABOR CHURCH, AUGUSTA COUNTY, VA.,
FRIDAY, AUGUST 24, 1906, 9:30 A. M.

The Synod was opened with devotional services by Rev. D. W. Files.

The roll was called. The minutes were read and approved.

On motion, Mr. N. B. Hulvey was enrolled as lay-delegate from the Churchville pastorate.

On motion, Rev. J. C. Peery, of the Southwestern Virginia Synod, was made an advisory member.

On motion, J. C. Henkel, Esq., was excused after the afternoon session.

On motion, Mr. I. B. Frye was excused after the afternoon session.

Supt. J. T. Crabtree addressed the Synod in the interest of the Orphan Home, at Salem, Va.

Rev. L. G. M. Miller, D. D., of the Theological Seminary, addressed the Synod in behalf of that institution.

On motion, Rev. Holmes Ralston, of the Presbyterian church, was invited to a seat in the Synod.

On motion, the Synod adjourned.

At 11 o'clock, Rev. H. C. Haithcox, D. D., delivered the annual address on Missions.

Following this, Rev. C. L. Brown addressed the Synod on the work of the church in Japan.

SIXTH SESSION.

MT. TABOR CHURCH, AUGUSTA COUNTY, VA.,
FRIDAY, AUGUST 24, 1906, 2:30 P. M.

The Synod convened, and devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. J. A. Huffard. The roll was called. The minutes were read and approved.

The following report was read, considered by items, and adopted as a whole:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LETTERS AND PETITIONS.

We, your committee, beg leave to report the following:

I. Communication from President of Mission Board, calling attention of Synod to action of United Synod in voting to establish a mission school in Japan at a cost of $25,000, and also resolution of United Synod voting $10,000 annually to Home Missions and Church Extension and a like amount to Foreign Missions.

We recommend the endorsement of our Synod regarding the above action and the promise of our cooperation in the raising of these funds necessitated by existing conditions.

II. Letter of Rev. A. A. J. Bushong, asking to be excused from attendance at this convention of Synod giving as his reasons the infirmities incident to his age. We recommend that he be excused and hereby extend to him our Christian sympathy and love.

III. Letter from Rev. P. J. Wade, asking that he be excused from non-attendance, owing to the serious illness of his daughter. We recommend his being excused and pray heaven's richest blessing on his home.

IV. Letter from Rev. C. A. Marks, asking excuse from attendance at Synod on account of sickness. We recommend that he be excused.

V. Petition from Rockingham pastorate, asking for aid in support of a pastor. We would respectfully refer same to Ministerium.

J. A. HUFFARD,
S. L. KELLER,
JOHN M. COINER.

The Secretary was instructed to have 300 copies of the present form of parochial blanks printed for the use of Synod.

The following report was read and adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON VACANCIES.

Your committee would report that the following vacancies exist: the Rockingham pastorate; the Middlebrook pastorate; Grace church, Waynesboro; and Trinity, Buena Vista. We learn from the report of the President that these pastorates are arranging to call pastors.

(1) We recommend that the pastor at Waynesboro be requested to supply the pulpit of Trinity, Buena Vista, till the next meeting of Synod, with such services as he can render.

E. A. SHENK,
J. M. SHRECKHISE,
J. A. MOREHEAD,
JOHN P. WEIKEL.

The following resolution was read and adopted:

We have heard with great pleasure the encouraging report of the Superintendent of our Orphan Home, and of the successful canvass in behalf of the debt, only $3900 remaining unprovided for. We hereby desire to express our abiding interest in and loyalty to this institution of our church, located at Salem, Va.

The following report was read, considered by items, and adopted as a whole.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

We, your Committee on President's Report, beg leave to submit the following report:

1. We recommend that the Synod approve the official acts of our President as submitted in his report, including the change of time of this convention of Synod.

2. We note with great pleasure the general and generous response of the congregations to the appeal for the Orphan Home Debt, but we recommend that the clerical roll be called, and it be thus ascertained what congregations have not responded, and that they be urged to do so at once and all moneys forwarded to the Treasurer, so that the movement may be closed.

3. We recommend that the Treasurer of Synod be instructed to pay off the second Seminary bond of three hundred and thirty-three dollars and thirty-three cents ($333.33), due October 1, 1906, together

with sixty-six dollars and seventy-seven cents ($66.77) interest due on four unpaid Seminary bonds, interest due October 1, 1906; amount to be paid from Synodical Foreign Missionary Fund in 5 per cent. certificate Valley Building and Loan Association, $250; and balance to be paid from Special Synodical Home Mission Fund.

4. The President calls our attention to the fact that there are but three vacancies in the Synod which is very gratifying. That all vacancies may be filled properly and as soon as possible, under this head we would call attention of the Synod to the Constitution of the Synod, chapter 8, section 7, which reads as follows: "In cases of vacancies, difficulty, or strife in congregations, church councils shall not act precipitately, but seek the instruction or advice of the President of Conference or Synod."

5. We also recommend that the action of the officers of Synod in arranging for special Roanoke College program on Thursday be heartily approved.

6. We recommend that the thanks of this body be tendered our worthy President for the able manner in which he has so faithfully discharged the many duties of his responsible office.

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. REPASS,
PETER MILLER,
G. E. SHUEY,
R. G. KOINER,
O. S. STROLE.

The following report was read, considered by items, and adopted as a whole.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINUTES OF LAST SYNOD

Your committee find two items, claiming the attention of Synod:

First, on page 30, Did the delegates elect to the United Synod attend? Yes.

On page 33, Did the committee, appointed to settle the difficulty between Rev. A. A. J. Bushong and the congregation at Woodstock, attend to that duty? Yes.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. SNYDER,
C. W. CASSELL,
J. M. SNAPP,
J. IRVIN GRAVES.

The following report was adopted as a whole:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF ROANOKE COLLEGE.

Your committee, appointed to suggest means to make effective, in so far as our Synod is concerned, the offer of Mr. Carnegie to Roanoke College, would report the following recommendations:

(1) That we, deeming the time and circumstances most auspicious, determine to endow a chair in Roanoke College in memory of its beloved founder and first president, Rev. David F. Bittle, D. D.; said chair to be known as the David F. Bittle chair of Intellectual and Moral Philosophy.

(2) That to this end we raise $25,000.

(3) That a committee of five (5) be appointed to devise ways and means to bring to success this undertaking, and that all our pastors and councils be urged to co-operate to this end.

(4) That this work be begun at once and carried to a speedy termination.

GEO. S. BOWERS,
W. J. SMITH,
E. L. FOLK,
W. P. HUDDLE,
A. D. R. HANCHER,
R. G. KOINER,
A. H. TOWBERMAN.

The afternoon part of the program for Roanoke College Day was taken up at this time. Strong speeches were made by Rev. W. J. Smith, Rev. E. A. Repass, Ph. D., Rev. S. L. Keller, Rev. C. L. Brown, Rev. L. A. Fox, D. D.; Rev. John C. Bowers, of Baltimore, Md., who in closing his tribute to Dr. Bittle laid $25 upon the Secretary's desk as his contribution to the endowment of the memorial chair in Roanoke College; Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D.; Rev. J. A. Morehead, D. D., who announced a subscription of $1,000 from a prominent layman of Augusta county; Rev. John H. Wyse, Rev. G. E. Shuey, Rev. J. M. Shreckhise, who also gave $25 toward the endowment of the chair; Rev. J. A. Snyder, D. D.; Mr. Henry S. Boner, of Philadelphia, Pa., who gave $25 in memory of Rev. D. M. Gilbert, D. D., a former president of the Virginia Synod; and Rev. J. A. Huffard.

So remarkable was the effect of the committee's recom-

mendation upon the Synod, as evidenced by the tributes and contributions noted, that it was with difficulty the deep feelings of the Synod were controlled. It was recognized by all that the day of larger things for the Virginia Synod had dawned. It was an epoch.

On motion, the Synod adjourned to meet as a Ministerium at 9 a. m. tomorrow.

The benediction was pronounced by Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D.

SEVENTH SESSION.

Mt. Tabor Church, Augusta County, Va.,
Saturday, August 25, 1906, 2 p. m.

Synod assembled, and was led in prayer by Rev. E. A. Shenk.

On motion, the roll call was omitted. The minutes were read and approved.

Rev. J. C. Peery, of Lynchburg, Va., addressed the Synod in the interest of the mission in that city.

The following report was read and adopted :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LITERARY INSTITUTIONS.

There are two literary institutions which we believe claim the attention of this body—Roanoke College and the Southern Lutheran Theological Seminary.

Synod has heard the report of Roanoke College as presented by President Morehead. This report set before you such facts as the Synod should know.

The papers placed in the hands of the committee add nothing else we deem necessary to record. We rejoice in the increased attendance of students, their good deportment, the favorable religious conditions in college, and the good work done by the students. We wish to place on record our appreciation of the self-sacrificing labors of the Faculty and of President Morehead.

The increased usefulness of the college and its enlarged possibilities should impress us with the duty and responsibility of aiding in its support. While our congregations have been contributing cheerfully

to the work of the college, we do not believe there is that growing interest there should be. There were fewer congregations contributing and a smaller contribution to the support of the college this year than last year.

We would recommend:

1. That the pastors observe an educational day.

2. That we renew our effort and earnestly endeavor to raise $500 for the support of the college next year.

As to the Southern Lutheran Theological Seminary, no papers have been placed in our hands. We are reliably informed that there were eight students in attendance last year. Three were graduated, and are now in the regular work. We have not been informed as to the students expected next session. We do most heartily recommend this institution to all young men of our Synod who desire to enter the gospel ministry in the Lutheran church. The course is full, the instruction thorough, and the buildings are well fitted for present needs. During the past year there were about as many Southern students in other seminaries as in our own. We believe it is not a matter of mere preference, but one of principle that our young men receiving financial aid from the Synod should attend its own institutions.

We would recommend that the Synod appropriate the usual amount of $100 for the support of the Theological Seminary.

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. CASSELL,
J. H. WYSE,
W. J. SMITH,
S. T. SHANK.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

Resolved, 1. That we have heard with pleasure the statement of Rev. J. C. Peery, of the Lynchburg mission, and that we commend his cause to pastors and congregations for the most favorable consideration possible.

Resolved, 2. That we, the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Virginia, in convention assembled, through our Secretary send cordial greeting to the Synod of Southwestern Virginia, and assure them that we heartily join hands with them in the movement to enlarge the useful work of Roanoke College, not only by meeting the Carnegie proposition, but also by planning even more liberal things for the institution.

Resolved, 3. That the officers of Synod be made part of the committee to be appointed by the President to have charge of the execution of the movement to endow the David F. Bittle chair of Moral and Intellectual Philosophy in Roanoke College.

Resolved, 4. That the Secretary be appointed to hold funds received for this object until said committee organizes and elects a treasurer.

Resolved, 5. That gifts towards this endowment be forwarded to the Treasurer of Roanoke College for investment by the treasurer of the committee as the former shall direct.

On motion, the appeal for help in Lynchburg was referred to the Executive Committee.

The following report was read and adopted:

REPORT OF THE DELEGATES TO THE UNITED SYNOD.

We, your delegates at the United Synod, respectfully submit the following report:

1. The attendance at the convention of the United Synod was large and great enthusiasm in its work was very manifest. This Synod had a full clerical delegation and three lay-delegates.

2. The work of the seminary at Mt. Pleasant was presented and approval of its work voted. The usual appropriations from synods were requested by the seminary, and the $100 per annum from this Synod should be appropriated.

3. The Orphan Home and its debt was fully presented, and we are glad to report that this Synod paid its quota of the debt, or nearly 50 cents per capita. This Synod will annually support this great work with increased gifts.

4. The committee on the new Hymnal reported the publication of that work, and congregations were urged to introduce the same

5. The publication interests were fully presented, and it was determined to take over from the United Synod Company the *Visitor* and *Tidings*, and the other interests, and as soon as the committee can arrange the financial end of the problem, the church is to own its own papers and publication interests. The Synod will rejoice in this progress of this department of our work, and will aid to bring about this happy consummation.

6. The Synod was largely occupied with our Japan work and plans for its future. It was determined to begin an educational work, and to this end it was resolved to raise $25,000. Further, the apportionments for Home and Foreign Missions were raised to $10,000 each per annum during the coming biennium.

In reference to this subject your delegates recommend that the Synod urge its pastors and people to increase their offerings to Home and Foreign Missions at least 20 per cent. to meet this increased demand, but we deem it unwise to increase in our Parochial Table the amounts now assessed for these purposes, believing it would decrease rather than increase our receipts, and think the appeal should be made direct to our people without assessments.

While we are in sympathy with this movement, your delegates are

of the opinion that the appeal to our people for the educational work in Japan should not be pressed at this time while the effort for Roanoke College is before our churches, but when this college movement is completed, then the Board of Missions is invited to appeal to our churches. Respectfully submitted,

L. L. SMITH,
A. D. R. HANCHER,
GEO. S. BOWERS,
W. J. SMITH,
J. A. MOREHEAD,
W. H. RISER,
C. A. MARKS,
N. F. SNARR,
J. FRANK CLEMMER.

On motion, the money which had been contributed by the churches of the Southern Conference for Buena Vista, Va., was ordered to be paid to Rev. S. L. Keller.

COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The President appointed the following committee to nominate an Executive Committee for the ensuing year: Revs. J. W. Shuey, J. A. Huffard, and E. A. Shenk.

The President reappointed the Examining Committee for the coming year.

EXAMINING COMMITTEE.

Rev. J. A. Snyder, D. D., Rev. W. J. Smith, Rev. J. M. Shreckhise, Rev. J. A. Morehead, D. D.

SPEAKERS FOR 1907.

Ordination—Rev. W. P. Huddle.
Education—Rev. E. A. Repass, Ph. D.
Missions—Rev. E. A. Shenk.

The President appointed Rev. John H. Wyse the fifth member of the committee in charge of the Bittle Endowment Fund.

On motion, Prof. B. E. Copenhaver, of Marion Female College, Marion, Va., was invited to address the Synod in behalf of that institution.

The following report was read and adopted:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS AND APPROPRIATIONS.

PASTORATES.	Theological Seminary.	Beneficiary Education.	Spec. Synodical Home Mission Fund.	Synodical Fund.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphan Home.	Roanoke College.	Woman's $20,000 Fund.	Virginia Bible Society.
Bethany	$ 3 00	$ 5 00	$ 7 00	$ 8 00	$ 28 00	$ 18 00	$ 7 00			
Bethlehem	5 00	4 00	8 00	5 00	14 00	7 00	3 00			
Capon	2 00	3 00	5 00	3 00	16 00	10 00	5 00			
Churchville { St Peter	2 00	3 00	4 00	2 50	6 00	6 00	2 00			
Churchville { Pleasant View.	2 00	3 00	4 00	5 00	8 00	5 00	3 00			
Gravel Springs	7 00	9 00	10 00	15 00	65 00	50 00	25 00			
Harrisonburg	3 00	5 00	5 00	4 00	18 00	10 00	5 00			
Luray { Ebenezer	1 00	1 00	1 50	2 00	7 50	5 00	2 50			
Luray { St. Mark	2 00	3 00	3 00	4 50	9 00	6 00	4 00			
Luray { Bethlehem	1 00	1 00	1 00	2 75	6 00	4 00	2 00			
Madison { Pisgah	1 00	5 00	2 00	2 75	2 00	1 00	1 00			
Madison { Hebron	12 00	12 00	20 00	25 00	90 00	50 00	25 00			
Mt. Jackson	4 00	10 00	17 00	20 00	87 00	45 00	17 50			
Mason { New Haven	50	1 00	2 00	2 00	10 00	5 50	3 00			
Mason { White	1 00	1 00	4 00	3 50	16 50	8 50	4 00			
Mason { New Hope	50	50	1 00	1 00	4 00	2 50	1 00			
Mason { Zion	50	50	1 00	1 00	4 50	3 00	2 00			
Middlebrook { Holy Trinity	2 00	6 00	5 00	5 00	20 00	10 00	5 00			
Middlebrook { St. Mark	1 00	2 00	2 50	2 00	9 00	7 00	1 50			
Middlebrook { Mt. Hermon.	1 00	2 00	1 00	1 50	6 00	3 00	1 00			
Mt. Tabor	8 00	10 00	14 00	15 00	65 00	40 00	15 00			
New Market { St. Matthew.	5 00	5 00	14 00	9 00	45 00	20 00	5 00			
New Market { St. Mark	4 00	3 00	7 00	3 00	14 00	10 00	4 00			
New Market { St. Martin	4 00	3 00	7 00	3 00	14 00	10 00	4 00			
Newport News	2 00	5 00	7 00	5 00	8 00	7 00	3 00			
Norfolk	2 00	5 00	7 00	7 00	20 00	15 00	7 00			
North River	4 00	3 00	8 00	5 00	19 00	10 00	5 00			
Page—St. Peter	2 00	3 00	3 50	3 00	2 00	2 00	1 00			
Richmond	4 00	6 00	8 00	8 00	22 50	7 00	7 00			
Rockingham	3 00	3 00	5 00	7 00	24 00	15 00	7 50			
Shenandoah { Mt. Zion	2 00	4 50	4 00	3 00	15 00	18 00	2 50			
Shenandoah { St. Luke	1 00	2 50	3 00	2 00	10 00	7 00	2 50			
Shenandoah { Lebanon	2 00	5 00	4 00	5 00	22 00	10 00	3 00			
Shepherdstown { St. Peter.	8 00	10 00	20 00	25 00	66 00	40 00	20 00			
Shepherdstown { St. James	4 00	7 00	12 00	12 00	34 00	20 00	10 00			
Spring Val. { Buena Vista	3 00	3 00	4 00	4 00	10 00	8 00	3 00			
Spring Val. { New Mt. Olive.	1 00	3 00	3 50	1 50	3 50	3 50	1 00			
Spring Val. { Spring Valley	1 00	3 00	3 50	1 50	3 50	3 50	1 00			
Salem	5 00	5 00	10 00	17 00	42 00	30 00	7 50			
Staunton	7 00	12 00	20 00	20 00	70 00	40 00	20 00			
Strasburg { St. Paul	1 50	8 00	14 00	12 00	30 00	18 00	7 50			
Strasburg { St. Peter	1 50	8 00	14 00	10 00	25 00	15 00	7 50			
Stephen's City { St. Paul	2 00	3 00	4 00	5 00	22 00	10 00	2 50			
Stephen's City { Trinity	2 00	2 00	3 50	7 00	20 00	12 00	5 00			
Waynesboro	2 00	3 00	7 00	5 00	5 00	4 00	3 00			
Winchester	15 00	20 00	50 00	75 00	225 00	750 00	55 00			
Woodstock	9 00	10 00	20 00	20 00	35 00	25 00	9 00			
Zion-St. James	7 00	10 00	14 00	15 00	70 00	40 00	13 00			
Amount on hand last year										
Totals										

SUNDAY-SCHOOL APPORTIONMENTS.

FOR SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL—PASTORATE.	Apportioned.
Bethany—Bethany	$ 8 00
Bethlehem—Bethlehem	6 00
Grace—Waynesboro	6 00
Spring Valley—Buena Vista	3 00
Trinity—Buena Vista	2 00
Hebron—Capon	5 00
St. Peter's—Capon	5 00
Mt. Moriah—North River	2 00
North River—North River	4 00
St. Peter's—Churchville	2 00
Pleasant View—Churchville	4 00
Bethel—Gravel Springs	8 00
Fremont—Gravel Springs	1 00
Gravel Springs—Gravel Springs	5 00
St. John—Gravel Springs	8 00
St. James—Gravel Springs	5 00
Muhlenberg—Harrisonburg	10 00
Lebanon—Lebanon	5 00
St. Paul—Stephens City	5 00
Hebron—Madison	15 00
Mt. Pisgah—Madison	1 00
Mt. Calvary—Mt. Jackson	6 00
Bethel—Mt. Jackson	2 50
St. James—Mt. Jackson	2 50
New Haven—Mason	2 00
New Hope—Mason	1 00
White—Mason	2 00
Zion—Mason	1 00
Holy Trinity—Middlebrook	5 00
Mt. Hermon—Middlebrook	1 50
St. Mark's—Middlebrook	3 50
Mt. Tabor—Mt. Tabor	10 00
St. Matthew's—New Market	4 00
St. Mark's—New Market	2 00
St. Martin—New Market	2 00
First Church—Norfolk	10 00
Bethlehem—Luray	1 00
St. Mark's—Luray	8 00
Ebenezer—Luray	5 00
First English Church—Richmond	15 00
Frieden's—Rockingham	3 00
St. John's—Rockingham	3 00
Mt. Zion—Shenandoah	1 50
St. Luke's—Shenandoah	1 50
St. Peter's—Shepherdstown	20 00
Uvilla—Shepherdstown	10 00
Christ Church—Staunton	20 00
Trinity—Stephens City	10 00
St. Paul's—Stephens City	5 00
St. Paul's—Strasburg	15 00
St. Peter's—Strasburg	10 00
Salem—Salem	12 00
Melanchthon Chapel—Salem	5 00
St. James—Salem	5 00
Zion—Zion-St. James	8 00
St. James—Zion-St. James	8 00
Grace Church—Winchester	100 00
Emmanuel—Woodstock	25 00
Smithfield—Middleway	2 00
St. Peter's—Shenandoah City	2 00
Newport News	5 00
	$465 00

APPROPRIATIONS.

FROM BENEFICIARY FUND.

For Beneficiary Education	$200 00

FROM SYNODICAL HOME MISSION FUND.

For Seminary Fund	$333 83
For Harrisonburg	275 00
For Churchville	125 00
For Capon	150 00
For Rockingham	50 00
	$933 83

FROM THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FUND.

For Theological Seminary	$100 00

FROM SYNODICAL FUND.

For Printing of Minutes	$100 00
For Printing of Minutes United Synod per resolution of U. S.	
For Secretary's salary and expenses	21 31
For Treasurer's salary	50 00
For President's expenses	2 00
For expenses of delegates to United Synod per resolution, Minutes, 1905, page 31	
For sexton	5 00

FROM UNITED SYNOD HOME MISSION FUND.

For Home Missions, United Synod	$1250 00

FROM ORPHAN HOME FUND.

For Orphan Home	$350 00

FROM FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

For Foreign Missions	$1742 00

Your committee recommend that the congregations be requested to raise twenty-five per cent. in addition to the regular apportionment, for Home and Foreign Missions of United Synod.

W. H. RISER,
W. J. SMITH,
E. A. REPASS,
A. L. WOODIN.

VOTE OF THANKS.

On motion, a vote of thanks was extended the pastor and people of Mt. Tabor church for their hospitality during this session of Synod, and the same was ordered to be announced at the service Sunday morning.

The following report was read and adopted:

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your committee to nominate an Executive Committee would report as follows: Rev. W. J. Smith, Rev. Geo. S. Bowers, Rev. C. W. Cassell, Joseph Snapp, and Oscar Barr.

J. W. SHUEY,
J. A. HUFFARD,
E. A. SHENK.

MINUTES.

On motion, it was ordered that 1,500 copies of the Minutes be printed and distributed among the congregations of this Synod.

COMMITTEE ON BIBLE SOCIETY.

On motion, the committee to inform the church on the work of the Bible Society of Virginia was appointed as follows: Revs. W. P. Huddle, E. A. Shenk, and C. A. Marks.

ARCHIVARIUS.

The President appointed Rev. A. D. R. Hancher, archivarius, with instructions to make a report to this Synod at its next meeting.

The minutes were read and approved.

On motion, the Synod adjourned, using the order in the Book of Worship. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D.

A. D. R. HANCHER,
Secretary Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Virginia.

FORM FOR REPORT ON STATE OF THE CHURCH.

1. Activity in Christian Work.
2. Attendance on Service.
3. Benevolence.
4. Sunday-schools.
5. Catechisation.
6. Finances.
7. Church Property.
8. Education.
9. Church Literature.

MINUTES

OF THE

MINISTERIUM

OF THE

EVANG. LUTHERAN SYNOD OF VIRGINIA.

FIRST SESSION.

MT. TABOR CHURCH, AUGUSTA COUNTY, VA.,
THURSDAY, AUGUST 23, 1906, 4.15 P. M.

The Ministerium was called to order, and opened with prayer by Rev. J. M. Tise.

On motion, the roll call was suspended.

The President stated some matters for general information, which consumed the entire time of the session.

On motion, the Ministerium adjourned.

SECOND SESSION.

MT. TABOR CHURCH, AUGUSTA COUNTY, VA.,
SATURDAY, AUGUST 25, 1906, 9 A. M.

The Ministerium was called to order, and led in prayer by Rev. Peter Miller.

The roll was called. The minutes were read and approved.

On motion, the information given by the President at the first session was carried over to next year, the President being appointed a committee of one to attend to the same.

On motion, the application of Charles Coffelt for beneficiary aid was referred to the Executive Committee.

On motion, the President was instructed to confer with Grace church, Waynesboro, Va., in reference to their future action.

On motion, $50 were granted to the Rockingham pastorate for one year.

On motion, adjourned to meet as a Ministerium at 1 p. m.

The Benediction was pronounced by Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D.

THIRD SESSION.

MT. TABOR CHURCH, AUGUSTA COUNTY, VA.,
SATURDAY, AUGUST 25, 1906, 1:30 P. M.

The Ministerium convened, and was led in prayer by Rev. H. C. Haithcox, D. D.

On motion, the roll call was omitted. The minutes were read and approved.

The following report was read, discussed, and adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DIFFERENCES BETWEEN REV. A. A. J. BUSHONG AND EMMANUEL CHURCH, WOODSTOCK, VA.

Your committee would report that having written Rev. Bushong for and being unable to obtain from him a definite declaration of charges against Emmanuel church, together with an itemized statement of money due from Emmanuel church, felt that they had no ground upon which to proceed to further action.

They, therefore, would ask that the matter be dropped and the committee discharged.

Respectfully submitted,
GEO. S. BOWERS,
H. C. HAITHCOX,
C. W. CASSELL.

On motion, the Ministerium adjourned.

A. D. R. HANCHER,
Secretary Evang. Luth. Ministerium of Virginia Synod.

DIVINE SERVICES.

MT. TABOR CHURCH, MT. TABOR, VA.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22, 1906.

11:00 A. M.—Synodical Communion Sermon by Rev. Peter Miller, Rio, West Va.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 24, 1906.

10:30 A. M.—Educational Address by Rev. H. C. Haithcox, D. D., Shepherdstown, W. Va.

11:30 A. M.—Mission Address by Rev. C. L. Brown, Kumomoto, Japan.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25, 1906.

11:00 A. M.—Sermon by Rev. Geo. S. Bowers, Winchester, Va.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26, 1906.

11:00 A. M.—Sermon by Rev. L. G. M. Miller, D. D., Charleston, S. C.

ST. MARK'S LUTHERAN CHURCH.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26, 1906.

11:00 A. M.—Sermon by Rev. E. L. Folk, Mt. Jackson, Va.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, MIDDLEBROOK, VA.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26, 1906.

4.00 P. M.—Sermon by Rev. E. L. Folk, Mt. Jackson, Va.

ARBOR HILL HALL, ARBOR HILL, VA.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26, 1906.

4:00 P. M.—Sermon by Rev. John C. Bowers, Baltimore, Md.

ST. JOHN'S REFORMED CHURCH.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26, 1906.

11:00 A. M.—Sermon by Rev. W. H. Riser, Norfolk, Va.

BETHEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26, 1906.

11:00 A. M.—Sermon by Rev. E. A. Repass, Ph. D., Waynesboro, Va.

HEBRON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26, 1906.

11:00 A. M.—Sermon by Rev. L. A. Fox, D. D., Salem, Va.

BETHLEHEM UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26, 1906.

4:00 P. M.—Sermon by Rev. J. W. Shuey, Lexington, Va.

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH, WAYNESBORO, VA.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26, 1906.

8:00 P. M.—Sermon by Rev. H. C. Haithcox, D. D., Shepherdstown, West Va.

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CONGREGATIONAL STATISTICAL REPORT.

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NAMES OF PASTORS.	Date of Ordination.	NAMES OF PASTORATES	NAMES OF CONGREGATIONS	PAROCHIAL STATISTICS. Number of Churches.	Number of Stations.	Reported Church Membership	Baptized Children Not Confirmed	Catechumens Not Confirmed	Students for Ministry.	ACCESSIONS. Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmations.	Transfers from Ld. Church Conns.	Transfers from other Denominations.	Restorations.	LOSSES. Deaths	Transfers	Ladies Removals.	Excl'sions	FINANCIAL STATISTICS. LOCAL. Estimated Value of Church Property	Indebtedness	Paid on Pastors Salary	Expenditures on Church Parsonage, School Properties	For Rep'rs and all External Objects	All other Local Expenditure	BENEFICENCE. Of Synod Home Missions	Church Extension	Theological Seminary	Knox College	Religious Education	Synodical and Con. Home Missions	UNITED SYNOD. Heathen Miss.	Foreign Miss.	Indirect Fund So ciety	Synodical Fund.	All other External Objects	Total Local and General Contributions	SUNDAY SCHOOLS. No. of Schools	Officers and Teach.	Scholars	Contributions for Sab. Sch. and Ext. Objects	Contributions for Local Objects	Y. P. SOCIETIES. No organizations.	Number of Members	Contributions for Local Objects	Contributions for Benevolence	W. M. SOCS. No organizations.	No of Members	Contributions for Missions	A.Y.P.S.C.E. No. organizations.	No of Members	Contributions for Local Objects	C. M. SOCS. No Organizations	No Members	Contributions for Missions	Total Contributions for all Purposes
Rev. J. W. Shuey	1867	Bethany	Bethany	1		128	28		1		13	5	1			2	4			$ 5700		$ 550 00				$ 145 04	$ 57 00	$ 5 00	$ 3 00	$ 5 00	$ 3 00	$ 7 00	$ 28 00	$ 18 00		$ 8 00		$ 770 04	1	18	110	$ 10 00	$ 5 00														$ 794 04
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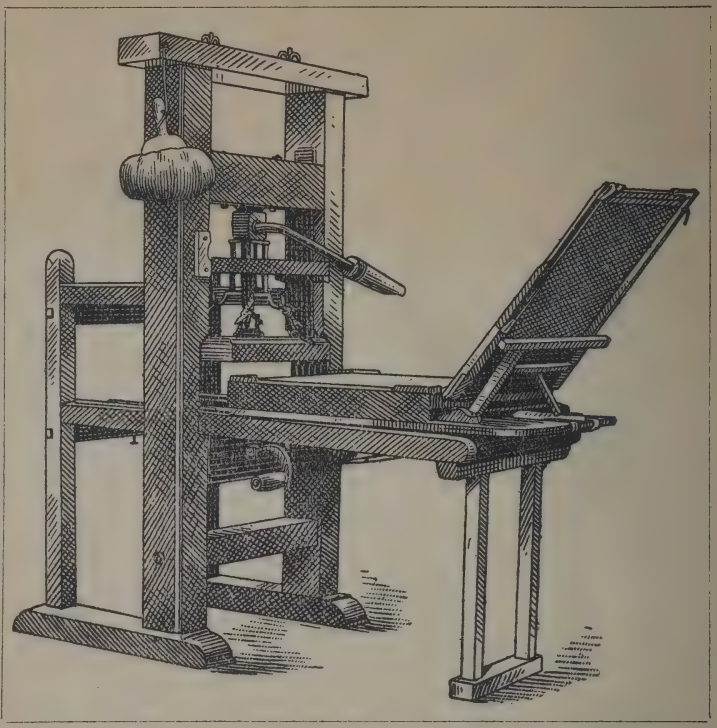

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The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Virginia met in Trinity Lutheran church, Stephens City, Va., Tuesday evening, August 20, 1907. The opening sermon was preached by Rev. A. D. R. Hancher, Staunton, Va.

FIRST SESSION.

TRINITY CHURCH, STEPHENS CITY, VA.,
AUGUST 21, 1907, 9:30 A. M.

The Synod was formally opened by the President Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., according to the order for opening Synod in the Book of Worship. The clerical roll was called and the absentees noted. Lay-delegates presented their credentials and the names of those entitled to seats in the Synod were enrolled.

CLERICAL ROLL.

MINISTERS.	POST-OFFICE.	ORDAINED.
Rev. J. M. Shreckhise	Raphine, Va., R. F. D., No. 1	1858
" J. A. Snyder, D. D.	Woodstock, Va	1859
" P. Miller	Rio, W. Va	1860
" A. A. J. Bushong*	Strasburg, Va.	1863
" H. C. Haithcox, D. D	Shepherdstown, W. Va.	1872
" A. M. Smith*	Winchester, Va., R. F. D	1876
" Rev. C. A. Marks	Gapland, Md.	1877
" W. J. Smith	Bloom, Frederick county, Va.	1878
" L. L. Smith, D. D	Strasburg, Va.	1880
" George S. Bowers	Winchester, Va., 126 N. Market St	1883
" J. G. Graichen	Waynesboro, Va	1883
" E. L. Folk	Middlebrook, Va.	1884
" G. E Shuey	Harrisonburg, Va.	1886
" S. L Keller	Waynesboro, Va., R. F. D., No 3	1887
" J. A. Huffard	Luray, Va.	1888
" W. P. Huddle	Madison Courthouse, Va.	1888
" J. H. Wyse*	Staunton, Va., 612 W. Frederick St.	1888
" W. J. D. Scherer	Woodstock, Va	1889
" P. J. Wade	Wardensville, W. Va	1891
" J. A. Morehead, D. D	Salem, Va.	1892
" A. D. R. Hancher	Staunton, Va., 9 Fayette St.	1892
" J. F. W. Kitzmeyer	Charles Town, W. Va	1893
" E. A. Shenk*	Newport News, Va., 101 27th St.	1895
" C. W. Cassell	Stephens City, Va.	1896
" D. W. Files	Mt. Sidney, Va	1896
" J. W. Shuey	Lexington, Va , R. F. D., No. 1	1897
" W H. Riser	Norfolk, Va , 102 Charlotte St	1898
" W. W. J. Ritchie	Churchville, Va.	1898
" E. A Repass, Ph. D.	New Market, Va	1900
" J M. Tise	Jadwyn, Va.	1903
" W. W. Frey*	New Haven, W. Va.	1904
" J. J Scherer, Jr	Richmond, Va., 207 S. 4th St	1904
" M. L. Canup	Mt. Jackson, Va	1907
" L. S. G. Miller	Winchester, Va., 126 N. Washington St	1907

*Absent and excused.

REGISTER.

NUMBER.	PASTORATES.	CHURCHES.	PASTORS.
1	Bethany	Bethany	Rev. J. W. Shuey.
2	Bethlehem	Bethlehem	Vacant.
3	Buena Vista	Trinity	Rev. J. G. Graichen.
4	Spring Valley	New Mt. Olive, Spring Valley	Rev. J. M. Shreckhise.
5	Capon	Hebron, St. Peter, Trinity, Trout Run, and Fairview	Rev. P. J. Wade.
6	Churchville	St. Peter, Pleasant View	Rev. W. W. J. Ritchie.
7	Gravel Springs	Bethel, Fremont, Gravel Springs, St. John, St. James	Rev. W. J. Smith.
8	Harrisonburg	Muhlenberg	Rev. G. E. Shuey.
9	Madison	Hebron, Mt. Pisgah	Rev. W. P. Huddle.
10	Mt. Jackson	Mt. Calvary, Bethel, St. James	Rev. M. Luther Canup.
11	Mason	New Haven, New Hope, White, Zion	Rev. W. W. Frey.
12	Middlebrook	Holy Trinity, Newport, St. Mark	Rev. E. L. Folk.
13	Mt. Tabor	Mt. Tabor	Rev. J. H. Wyse.
14	New Market	St. Matthew, St. Mark, St. Martin.	Rev. E. A. Repass, Ph. D.
15	Newport News	Trinity	Rev. E. A. Shenk.
16	Norfolk	First Church	Rev. W. H. Riser.
17	North River	North River, Saint James, and Mt. Moriah	Rev. Peter Miller.
18	Luray	Bethlehem, St Mark, Ebenezer	Rev. J. A. Huffard.
19	Richmond	First English Lutheran Church	Rev. J. J. Scherer, Jr.
20	Rockingham	Frieden, St John, Trinity	Vacant.
21	Shenandoah	Mt. Zion, St. Luke, Lebanon	Rev. J. M. Tise.
22	Shepherdstown	St. Peter, St. James	Rev. H C. Haithcox, D. D.
23	Staunton	Christ	Rev. A. D. R. Hancher.
24	Stephens City	Trinity, St. Paul	Rev. C. W. Cassell.
25	Strasburg	St. Paul, St. Peter	Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D.
26	Salem	Salem, Melanchthon Chapel, Saint James	Rev. D. W. Files.
27	Waynesboro	Grace	Rev. J. G. Graichen.
28	Winchester	Grace	Rev. George S. Bowers.
29	Woodstock	Emmanuel	Rev. W. J. D. Scherer.
30	Zion-St. James	Zion, St. James	Rev. S. L. Keller.

LAY-DELEGATES.

Bethlehem, Samuel B. Harper; Capon, J. B. White; Churchville, W. K. Smith; Gravel Springs, Henry Rudolph; Harrisonburg, M. E. Koontz; Middlebrook, H. T. Rosen; Mt. Jackson, J. M. Kagey; Mt. Tabor, H. M. Clemmer; New Market, Silas Branner; Newport News, B. F. Apperson; North River, Edward P. Frye; Richmond, Jacob Umlauf; Rockingham, S. T. Shank; Salem, A. W. Craun; Shenandoah, S. B. Hepner; Shepherdstown, H. L. Snyder; Spring Valley, J. F. Arehart; Stephens City, W. J. Richards; Strasburg, E. M. Funk; Tom's Brook, J. S. Borden; Waynesboro, L. H. Helms; Winchester, J. E. Cooper; Woodstock, J. L. Wisman.

The President, Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., read his report, which was received for future action.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

DEAR BRETHREN :—In the kind and loving providence of God the Synod assembles in this church to hold its seventy-eighth annual convention. The ministerial roll has remained unbroken by death during the past year, and our thankfulness goes out to the Lord for His mercy towards us. I now narrate my official acts for the past year as required by the constitution :

RESIGNATIONS.

September 3, 1906, Rev. C. A. Marks informed me that he had resigned as pastor of the First Church, Richmond.

September 3, 1906, Rev. E. L. Folk informed me that he had resigned as pastor of the Mt. Jackson pastorate, to take effect November 18, 1906.

October 5, 1906, Rev. J. F. W. Kitzmeyer informed me that he had resigned as pastor of Emmanuel church, Woodstock, to take effect immediately.

October 18, 1906, Rev. J. A Snyder, D. D., informed me that he had resigned the New Market pastorate, to take effect January 1, 1907.

January 15, 1907, Rev. E. A. Repass, Ph. D., informed me that he had resigned as pastor of the Bethlehem pastorate, to take effect April 14, 1907.

CALLS ACCEPTED.

September 24, 1906, Rev. E. L. Folk informed me that he had accepted a call to the Middlebrook pastorate, to begin his work November 25, 1906.

November 15, 1906, Rev. J. J. Scherer, Jr., informed me that he had accepted a call to Grace church, Richmond, Va., to begin his work December 1, 1906.

November 12, 1906, Rev. J. G. Graichen informed me that he had accepted a call to Grace church, Waynesboro, Va., to begin work January 5, 1907.

June 25, 1907, Rev. W. J. D. Scherer, of the East Pennsylvania Synod, notified me that he had accepted a call to Emmanuel church, Woodstock, Va., beginning work June 8, 1907.

January 15, 1907, Rev. E. A. Repass, Ph. D., notified me that he had accepted a call to the New Market pastorate, to begin work April 21, 1907.

CREDENTIALS.

September 3, 1906, Rev. W. W. Frey sent me his letter of dismissal from the Pittsburg Synod of the General Synod to this body, and by resolution of our last convention directed the Secretary to enroll his name on our clerical register.

December 4, 1906, Rev. J. J. Scherer, Jr., sent me his letter of dismissal from the Maryland Synod to this body.

December 10, 1906, Rev. J. G. Graichen sent me his letter of dismissal from the South Carolina Synod to this body.

June 25, 1907, Rev. W. J. D. Scherer sent me his letter of dismissal from the East Pennsylvania Synod to this body.

INSTALLATIONS.

August 11, 1907, Rev. J. G. Graichen was installed as pastor of Grace church, Waynesboro, Va., Revs. A. D. R. Hancher and S. L. Keller officiating and delivering the addresses.

July 21, 1907, Rev. E. A. Repass, Ph. D., was installed as pastor of the New Market pastorate, Rev. G. S. Bowers delivering the charge to the pastor and Rev. A. D. R. Hancher to the people.

January 27, 1907, Rev. E. L. Folk was installed as pastor of the Middlebrook pastorate, Rev. J. H. Wyse delivering the charge to the pastor and Rev. A. D. R. Hancher to the people.

January —, 1907, Rev. J. J. Scherer, Jr., was installed as pastor of the First Church, Richmond, Va., Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., delivering the sermon and conducting the installation.

———, 1906, Rev. J. M. Tise was installed as pastor of the Lebanon pastorate, Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., delivering the sermon and conducting the installation services.

CORNER-STONE LAYING.

Sunday, September 3, 1906, at 3:30 p. m., the corner-stone of the new Trinity church in which Synod holds this convention, was laid with proper and appropriate religious services. The pastor, Rev. C. W. Cassell, conducted the services, assisted by Rev. L. A. Fox, D. D , of Roanoke College, and Rev. L. G. M. Miller, D. D., of the Theological Seminary, the two latter making addresses appropriate to the occasion. Fully 1,000 people were present, and the services were solemn and impressive. The present handsome edifice during the year has been erected and on Sunday will be dedicated to the Triune God.

Saturday, November 10, 1906, the corner-stone of the new St. Peter's church, Shepherdstown, W. Va., was laid in the presence of a large concourse of people. The services were in charge of the pastor, Rev. H. C. Haithcox, D. D., assisted by Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., Rev. C. H. Rockey, Rev. C. S. Trump, and Rev. L. A. Bush. Two addresses were delivered, the first by Rev. Dr. Smith, President of Synod, and the second by Rev. C. H. Rockey, of Waynesboro, Pa , a former pastor. The church is to be a handsome building of native blue lime-

stone, on a central location, and when completed will be a most beautiful structure. Dr. Haithcox and his people are to be congratulated on this advance movement in the life of the church at Shepherdstown.

NEW PARSONAGE.

Grace church, Waynesboro, Va., has built a convenient and modern parsonage, on a splendid site in that growing town, at a cost of about $2,000. It has modern comforts, well built, and will add much to the strength of the congregation. The church-loving people of Grace congregation are to be congratulated on this permanent work in their congregation's history.

CHURCH IMPROVEMENT.

St. Peter's church, Wardensville, W. Va., and Hebron church, of the Capon pastorate, Rev. P. J. Wade, pastor, are undergoing needed improvements. These people under the ministry of their pastor, are earnestly working for the up-building of the church among them.

SUNDAY FUNERALS.

The Potomac Conference at its last convention in Ebenezer church, Rio, West Va., overtures the Synod to declare itself on the subject of Sunday funerals. The tendency with many people to place funeral services at the regular Sunday hours of worship, setting them aside, and interfering with the regular work of pastors, should be discouraged and the Synod at this convention should formally adopt principles to govern pastors on this subject.

THE SEMINARY DEBT.

The Synod must provide at this meeting to pay the third bond of the Seminary debt, $333.33, together with $50.00 interest. With the payment of this bond falling due October 1, 1907, but two bonds of $333.33 will remain unpaid, and in a few years this burden on the Synod will be liquidated. It is to be hoped that the appropriation committee can readily provide for its payment out of the treasury, and I would suggest that this money be taken from the Special Synodical Fund for Home Missions.

VACANCIES.

During the year our vacancies have been filled, with the exception of the Rockingham pastorate. This pastorate, with the aid of your President, has made effort after effort to secure a pastor but without success I suggested to the pastorate to secure candidate J. I. Coiner, of the Southern Seminary, to supply them during his vacation which they did. I very heartily approved this action of the pastorate. It is to be hoped this pastorate will in the near future secure a faithful pastor to serve them.

THE BITTLE MEMORIAL FUND.

The great movement of the Synod, known as the Bittle Memorial Fund, has been presented in some of the pastorates of the Synod, and with gratifying success. The committee, having this work in charge, will at the proper time present a report of the work done the past year, and the Synod at this meeting should again emphasize the need of successfully carrying this movement to completion.

CANDIDATES FOR ORDINATION.

The following have applied for ordination at this convention: Candidates M. L. Canup and L. S. G. Miller, graduates of Mt. Airy Lutheran Theological Seminary, and are cordially recommended to Synod for favorable action.

CONCLUSION.

The Synod's work will be fully presented by its various committees for your consideration, and may the Holy Ghost direct us in the work of the Kingdom of God. Respectfully submitted,

L. L. SMITH.

Trinity church, Stephen's City,
Va., August 20, 1907.

The Secretary read his report, which was received for future action.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The following report is submitted for the past synodical year:

1. The Minutes were printed and distributed by Henkel & Co., New Market, Va., at a cost of $91.71.

2. Reduced rates for this meeting were secured over the Norfolk & Western Railway.

3. Three hundred parochial blanks were printed according to order of Synod (see Minutes 1906, page 30) at a cost of $2.65.

4. The amount for postage, stationery, &c., in the discharge of the duties of this office for the year is $2.59.

A. D. R. HANCHER, SECRETARY.

The Treasurer read his report, which was received for future action.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL APPORTIONMENTS AND RECEIPTS FROM SUNDAY-SCHOOLS OF VIRGINIA SYNOD OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH FOR SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST 10, 1907.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL—PASTORATE.	Apportioned.	Received.
Bethany—Bethany	$ 8 00	$ . . .
Bethlehem—Bethlehem	6 00	. . .
Grace—Waynesboro	6 00	. . .
Trinity—Buena Vista	2 00	. . .
Hebron—Capon	5 00	5 00
St. Peter's—Capon	5 00	5 00
Mt. Moriah—North River	2 00	2 00
Ebenezer—North River	4 00	4 00
St. Peter's—Churchville	2 00	2 00
Pleasant View—Churchville	4 00	. . .
Bethel—Gravel Springs	8 00	8 00
Fremont—Gravel Springs	1 00	. . .
Gravel Springs—Gravel Springs	5 00	5 00
St. John—Gravel Springs	8 00	8 00
St. James—Gravel Springs	5 00	5 00
Muhlenberg—Harrisonburg	10 00	10 00
Lebanon—Shenandoah	5 00	. . .
Mt. Zion—Shenandoah	1 50	1 50
St. Luke—Shenandoah	1 50	. . .
St. Paul—Stephen's City	5 00	5 00
Trinity—Stephen's City	5 00	10 00
Hebron—Madison	15 00	15 00
Mt. Pisgah—Madison	1 00	. . .
Mt. Calvary—Mt. Jackson	6 00	. . .
Bethel—Mt. Jackson	2 50	. . .
St. James—Mt. Jackson	2 50	. . .
New Haven—Mason	2 00	. . .
New Hope—Mason	1 00	. . .
White—Mason	2 00	. . .
Zion—Mason	1 00	. . .
Holy Trinity—Middlebrook	5 00	5 26
Mt. Hermon—Middlebrook	1 50	1 90
St. Mark's—Middlebrook	3 50	3 74
Mt. Tabor—Mt. Tabor	10 00	. . .
St. Matthew's—New Market	4 00	4 00
St. Mark's—New Market	2 00	. . .
St. Martin—New Market	2 00	2 00
First Church—Norfolk	10 00	10 00
Bethlehem—Luray	1 00	. . .
St. Mark's—Luray	8 00	. . .
Ebenezer—Luray	5 00	. . .
First English Church—Richmond	15 00	. . .
Frieden's—Rockingham	3 00	3 00
St. John's—Rockingham	3 00	. . .
St. Peter's—Shepherdstown	20 00	20 00
Uvilla—Shepherdstown	10 00	. . .
Christ Church—Staunton	20 00	20 00
St. Paul's—Strasburg	15 00	15 00
St. Peter's—Strasburg	10 00	10 00
Salem—Salem	12 00	12 00
Melanchthon Chapel—Salem	5 00	5 00
St. James—Salem	5 00	5 00
Zion—Zion-St. James	8 00	. . .
St. James—Zion-St. James	8 00	. . .
Grace Church—Winchester	100 00	100 00
Emmanuel—Woodstock	25 00	25 00
Newport News	5 00	5 00
Spring Valley—Spring Valley	1 00	1 00
New Mt. Olive—Spring Valley	2 00	2 00
	$451 00	$335 40

Apportionments and Receipts of Pastorates of the Virginia Synod of the

Index Number	PASTORATE.	THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.		BENEFICIARY EDUCATION.		SPECIAL SYNODICAL HOME MISS. FUND.		SYNODICAL FUND.		HOME MISSIONS.	
		Apportioned.	Received.	Apportioned.	Received.	Apportioned.	Received.	Apportioned.	Received.	Apportioned.	Received.
1	Bethany	$ 3 00	$ 6 00	$ 5 00	$ 7 00	$ 7 00	$ 9 00	$ 8 00	$ 10 00	$ 28 00	$ 19 57
2	Bethlehem	5 00	. . .	4 00	. . .	8 00	1 00	5 00	5 00	14 00	5 00
3	Capon	2 00	2 00	3 00	3 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	16 00	16 00
4	Churchville { St. Peter	2 00	2 00	3 00	3 00	4 00	4 00	2 50	2 50	6 00	6 00
	Churchville { Pleasant View.	2 00	. . .	3 00	3 00	4 00	4 00	5 00	5 00	8 00	8 00
5	Gravel Springs	7 00	. . .	9 00	9 00	10 00	10 00	15 00	15 00	65 00	50 00
6	Harrisonburg	3 00	. . .	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	4 00	. . .	18 00	. . .
7	Luray { Ebenezer.	1 00	. . .	1 00	50	1 50	1 50	2 00	2 00	7 50	7 50
	Luray { St. Mark	2 00	2 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	3 00	4 50	4 50	9 00	9 00
	Luray { Bethlehem	1 00	. . .	1 00	. . .	1 00	1 00	2 75	2 57	6 00	1 00
8	Madison { Pisgah	1 00	. . .	5 00	. .	2 00	. . .	2 75	. . .	2 00	. . .
	Madison { Hebron	12 00	6 00	12 00	6 00	20 00	10 00	25 00	12 00	90 00	48 38
9	Mt. Jackson	4 00	4 00	10 00	10 00	17 00	17 00	20 00	20 00	87 00	87 00
10	Mason { New Hope	50	50	50	50	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	4 00	4 00
	Mason { Zion	50	50	50	50	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	4 50	1 00
	Mason { New Haven	50	. .	1 00	1 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	10 00	2 83
	Mason { White	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	4 00	1 00	3 50	1 00	16 50	5 00
11	Middlebrook { Holy Trinity.	2 00	2 00	6 00	6 00	5 00	10 00	5 00	10 00	20 00	20 00
	Middlebrook { St. Mark	1 00	1 00	2 00	2 00	2 50	5 00	2 00	4 00	9 00	9 00
	Middlebrook { Mt. Hermon.	1 00	1 00	2 00	3 00	1 00	2 00	1 50	3 00	6 00	6 90
12	Mt Tabor	8 00	. . .	10 00	. . .	14 00	14 00	15 00	15 00	65 00	7 90
13	New Market { St. Matthew.	5 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	14 00	14 00	9 00	9 00	45 00	18 30
	New Market { St. Mark	4 00	. . .	3 00	.	7 00	. . .	3 00	3 00	14 00	15 00
	New Market { St. Martin	4 00	. . .	3 00	. . .	7 00	5 50	3 00	3 00	14 00	14 00
14	Newport News	2 00	2 00	5 00	5 00	7 00	7 00	5 00	5 00	8 00	8 00
15	Norfolk	2 00	2 00	5 00	5 00	7 00	7 00	7 00	7 00	20 00	20 00
16	North River	4 00	4 00	3 00	3 00	8 00	8 00	5 00	5 00	19 00	23 76
17	Richmond	4 00	4 00	6 00	6 00	8 00	8 00	8 00	8 00	22 50	22 50
18	Rockingham	3 00	3 00	3 00	5 00	5 00	2 50	7 00	2 50	24 00	5 00
19	Shenandoah { Mt. Zion	2 00	2 00	4 50	3 00	4 00	. .	3 00	1 50	15 00	15 00
	Shenandoah { St. Luke	1 00	. . .	2 50	. . .	3 00	4 00	2 00	4 00	10 00	2 00
	Shenandoah { Lebanon	2 00	. . .	5 00	3 00	4 00	4 00	5 00	5 00	22 00	18 70
20	Shepherdstown { St. Peter.	8 00	8 00	10 00	10 00	20 00	20 00	25 00	25 00	66 00	66 00
	Shepherdstown { St. James	4 00	5 00	7 00	5 00	12 00	5 00	12 00	22 15	34 00	11 73
21	Spring Val. { Buena Vista	3 00	. . .	3 00	. . .	4 00	. . .	4 00	. . .	10 00	. . .
	Spring Val. { New Mt. Olive.	1 00	1 00	3 00	3 00	3 50	8 00	1 50	1 50	3 50	3 50
	Spring Val. { Spring Valley.	1 00	. . .	3 00	. . .	3 50	3 50	1 50	1 50	3 50	3 50
22	Salem	5 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	10 00	10 00	17 00	17 00	42 00	42 00
23	Staunton	7 00	7 00	12 00	12 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	70 00	80 93
24	Strasburg. { St. Paul	1 50	1 50	8 00	8 00	14 00	26 25	12 00	12 00	30 00	30 00
	Strasburg. { St. Peter	1 50	1 50	8 00	8 00	14 00	14 00	10 00	10 00	25 00	25 00
25	Stephen's City. { St. Paul	2 00	2 00	3 00	3 00	4 00	4 00	5 00	5 00	22 00	22 00
	Stephen's City. { Trinity	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	3 50	3 50	7 00	7 00	20 00	20 00
26	Waynesboro	2 00	. . .	3 00	. . .	7 00	7 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	. . .
27	Winchester	15 00	15 00	20 00	20 00	50 00	50 00	75 00	75 00	225 00	225 00
28	Woodstock	9 00	9 00	10 00	10 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	20 00	35 00	35 00
29	Zion-St. James	7 00	5 00	10 00	5 00	14 00	8 00	15 00	10 00	70 00	25 07
30	Amount on hand last year	. . .	21 71	. . .	18 05	. . .	885 17	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .
	Totals	$161 50	$133 71	$239 00	$205 55	$391 50	$1250 92	$417 50	$402 72	$1366 00	$1066 03

Evangelical Lutheran Church, for the year ending August 10th, 1907.

Index Number.	FOREIGN MISSIONS		ORPHAN HOME.		ROANOKE COLLEGE.	ORPHAN HOME DEBT	PUB. FUND.	VA. BIBLE SOCIETY.	$20,000 M. FUND	TOTAL.		Overpaid.	Deficit.
	Apportioned.	Received.	Apportioned.	Received.	Received.	Received.	Received.	Received.	Received.	Apportioned.	Received.		
1	$ 18 00	$ 41 30	$ 7 00	$ 9 00	$ 5 62	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	$18 00	$ 76 00	$ 125 49	$ 49 49	. . .
2	7 00	5 00	3 00	5 00	15 00	$ 23 82	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	46 00	59 82	13 82	. . .
3	10 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	. . . .	$ 4 00	$ 5 96	. . .	44 00	58 96	14 96	. . .
4	6 00	6 00	2 00	2 00	. . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	25 50	25 50	. . .	. . .
	5 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	. . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	30 00	28 00	. . .	$ 2 00
5	50 00	58 57	25 00	39 43	. . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	181 00	182 00	1 00	. . .
6	10 00	10 00	5 00	5 00	. . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	50 00	25 00	. . .	25 00
7	5 00	5 50	2 50	2 50	. . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	20 50	19 50	. . .	1 00
	6 00	12 50	4 00	4 00	. . .	5 00	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	31 50	43 00	11 50	. . .
	4 00	1 00	2 00	2 00	. . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	17 75	7 57	. . .	10 18
8	1 00	. . . .	1 00	. . .	. . .	2 00	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	14 75	2 00	. . .	12 75
	50 00	31 66	25 00	24 25	5 25	11 40	9 00	. . . .	. . .	234 00	163 90	. . .	70 10
9	45 00	45 00	17 50	22 25	. . .	6 66	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	200 50	211 91	11 41	. . .
10	2 50	67	1 00	50	. . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	10 50	8 17	. . .	2 33
	3 00	58	2 00	. . .	. . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	12 50	4 58	. . .	7 92
	5 50	. . .	3 00	2 00	. . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	24 00	9 83	. . .	14 17
	8 50	3 00	4 00	1 00	. . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	38 50	13 00	. . .	25 50
11	10 00	10 00	5 00	6 50	. . .	. . . .	4 00	. . . .	7 50	53 00	76 00	23 00	. . .
	7 00	7 00	1 50	1 50	. . .	. . . .	2 00	. . . .	7 06	25 00	38 56	13 56	. . .
	3 00	3 00	1 00	2 00	3 25	. . . .	2 00	. . . .	. . .	15 50	26 15	10 65	. . .
12	40 00	. . .	15 00	15 00	. . .	10 00	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	167 00	61 90	. . .	105 10
13	20 00	23 36	5 00	31 61	. . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	103 00	106 27	3 27	. . .
	10 00	. . . .	4 00	. . .	. . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	45 00	18 00	. . .	27 00
	10 00	10 00	4 00	4 00	. . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	45 00	36 50	. . .	8 50
14	7 00	7 00	3 00	3 03	. . .	. . . .	4 00	. . . .	. . .	37 00	41 03	4 03	. . .
15	15 00	25 00	7 00	7 00	. . .	15 00	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	63 00	88 00	25 00	. . .
16	10 00	12 68	5 00	5 00	20 10	7 43	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	54 00	88 97	34 97	. . .
17	7 00	42 85	7 00	60 24	13 90	. . . .	8 00	7 50	. . .	62 50	180 99	118 49	. . .
18	15 00	5 00	7 50	5 00	. . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	64 50	28 00	. . .	36 50
19	18 00	3 62	2 50	1 50	. . .	. . . .	4 00	. . . .	. . .	49 00	30 62	. . .	18 38
	7 00	. . . .	2 50	2 50	. . .	. . . .	2 00	. . . .	. . .	28 00	14 50	. . .	13 50
	10 00	9 00	3 00	3 00	. . .	. . . .	4 00	. . . .	. . .	51 00	46 70	. . .	4 30
	40 00	40 00	20 00	20 00	. . .	. . . .	16 00	. . . .	. . .	189 00	205 00	16 00	. . .
20	20 00	10 82	10 00	4 00	. . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	99 00	63 70	. . .	35 30
	8 00	. . . .	3 00	. . .	. . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	35 00	. . . .	. . .	35 00
21	3 50	16 00	1 00	3 50	. . .	. . . .	2 00	1 00	. . .	17 00	39 50	22 50	. . .
	3 50	3 50	1 00	1 00	. . .	. . . .	2 00	2 00	. . .	17 00	17 00	. . .	. . .
22	30 00	56 30	7 50	7 50	. . .	50 25	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	116 50	191 05	74 55	. . .
23	40 00	96 00	20 00	20 00	. . .	. . . .	14 00	. . . .	19 60	189 00	289 53	100 53	. . .
24	18 00	20 00	7 50	27 60	. . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	91 00	125 35	34 35	. . .
	15 00	15 00	7 50	12 54	. . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	81 00	86 04	5 04	. . .
25	10 00	12 50	2 50	6 70	3 00	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	48 50	58 20	9 70	. . .
	12 00	13 33	5 00	5 00	2 00	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	51 50	54 83	3 33	. . .
26	4 00	. . . .	3 00	. . .	. . .	1 42	. . . .	. . . .	2 00	29 00	15 42	. . .	13 58
27	750 00	750 00	55 00	77 85	. . .	250 00	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	1190 00	1462 85	272 85	. . .
28	25 00	52 50	9 00	61 50	. . .	. . . .	18 00	. . . .	. . .	128 00	226 00	98 00	. . .
29	40 00	37 00	13 00	13 00	. . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	169 00	103 07	. . .	65 93
30	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . . .	. . .	. . . .	924 93	. . .	. . .
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From Sunday-Schools	$ 315 40*
From friend Va. Synod	5 00
Spec. Synodical Fund and Interest	255 49
Total	$6308 78

*Total receipts on page 9 should be same as this.

EXPENDITURES MADE BY M. COFFMAN, TREASURER, FROM THE DIFFERENT FUNDS DURING THE SYNODICAL YEAR ENDING AUGUST 10, 1907.

FROM THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FUND.

1907.		DR.	
Aug.	10.	To amt. paid C. M. Efird, Treasurer	$ 100 00
		CR.	
Aug.	10.	By balance in Treasurer's hands	$ 33 71

FROM BENEFICIARY EDUCATION FUND.

1906.		DR.	
Sept.	7.	To amt. paid C. W. Hepner and two other dates .	$ 100 00
		CR.	
Sept.	7.	By balance in Treasurer's hands	$ 105 55

FROM SPECIAL SYNODICAL HOME MISSION FUND AND FROM SUNDAY-SCHOOL ASSESSMENTS FOR SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

1906.		DR.	
Oct.	1.	To amt. paid Rev. G. E. Shuey and 11 other items	$ 275 00
Oct.	16.	To amt. paid C. W. Heater, Treasurer Pastors' Fund Society, interest on Seminary debt to October 1, 1906	16 66
Oct.	16.	To amt. paid Rev. W. P. Huddle, interest on two bonds to Oct. 1, 1906	33 33
Oct.	19.	To amt. paid L. L. Smith, D. D., for Mrs. Julia L. Culler, one bond, Seminary debt, and interest to Oct. 1, 1906	350 00
Nov.	10.	To amt. paid Rev. W. W. J. Ritchie and 3 other dates	125 00
1907.			
Mar.	1.	To amt. paid Rev. John C. Peery, for Build. Fund Lynchburg, Va., church, from St. Paul, Stras. .	12 25
Mar.	11.	To amt. paid Rev. P. J. Wade and 3 other dates .	150 00
July	18.	To amt. paid Rev. S. L. Keller from Southern Conference, for Buena Vista and 1 other date .	19 50
			$981 74
1907.		CR.	
Aug.	10.	By balance in Treasurer's hands	524 67
Aug.	18.	By balance from Sunday-schools	315 40
			$ 840 07

FROM SYNODICAL FUND.

1906.		DR.	
Sept.	3.	To amt. paid Rev. Geo. S. Bowers, expenses to United Synod	$ 9 30

Sept.	3.	To amt. paid Rev. J. A. Morehead, expenses to United Synod	6 20
Oct.	15.	Secretary, salary and expenses	21 31
Oct.	15.	To amt. paid President's expenses	2 00
Oct.	15.	To amt. paid sexton Mt. Tabor church	5 00
			$ 43 81

1907.			
Jan.	4.	To amt. paid S. T. Shank, exp. to United Synod	$ 6 98
Feb.	13.	To amt. paid C. H. Duls, Treas., Apportionment for United Synod	30 21
Aug.	8.	To amt. paid Henkel & Co., printing Minutes, statistical blanks, and certificates Bittle Memorial Fund	102 06
Aug.	8.	To amt. paid Treasurer, salary	50 00
Aug.	8.	To amt. paid Treasurer, postage and stationery	7 00
			$ 240 06

DR.

Aug.	10.	To amt. overpaid and due Treasurer	$ 113 35

FROM HOME MISSION FUND UNITED SYNOD.

DR.

1907.			
April	8.	To amt. paid John A. Cline, Treas., and 1 other date	1066 03

FROM FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

DR.

1907.			
April	8.	To amt. paid John A. Cline, Treas., and 1 other date	1517 24

ORPHAN HOME FUND—CURRENT EXPENSES.

DR.

1906.			
Dec.	8.	To amt. paid Paul S. Davis, Treas., and 2 other dates	507 40
1907.			
Mar.	1.	To amt. paid Paul S. Davis, Treas., Strasburg Sunday-school	27 60
			$ 535 00

FROM ROANOKE COLLEGE FUND.

1907.			
Mar.	5.	To amt. paid W. H. Ruthrauff, Treas., and 1 other date	$ 73 12

FROM VIRGINIA BIBLE SOCIETY FUND.

DR.

1907.			
Aug.	10.	To amt. paid Rev. W. S. Campbell, Secretary	$ 16 46

FROM $20,000 MOVEMENT FUND.

1907. Dr.

April 8. To amt. paid John A. Cline, Treas., and 1 other date . . . . . $ 59 16

RECEIPTS FOR 1906-1907, INCLUDING BALANCES ON HAND.

Theological Seminary		$ 133 71
Beneficiary Education		205 55
Special Synodical Home Missions	$1250 92	
Special Synodical Sunday-school Fund	315 40	
Special Synodical Foreign Mission Fund, 5 per cent. certificate and interest	255 49	1821 81
Synodical Fund		402 72
Home Missions, United Synod		1066 03
Foreign Missions		1517 24
Orphan Home—current expenses		535 00
Orphan Home—on debt		382 98
Roanoke College		73 12
Publication Fund		95 00
$20,000 Mission Fund		59 16
Virginia Bible Society		16 46
		$6308 78

EXPENDITURES FOR 1906-1907.

Theological Seminary	$ 100 00
Beneficiary Education	100 00
Special Synodical Home Mission and Sunday-schools	981 74
Synodical Fund	516 07
Home Mission Fund, United Synod	1066 03
Foreign Missions	1517 24
Orphan Home—current expenses	535 00
Orphan Home—on debt	382 98
Roanoke College	73 12
Publication Fund	95 00
$20,000 Mission Fund	59 16
Virginia Bible Society	16 46
Balance in Treasurer's hands	865 98
	$6308 78

BALANCES IN TREASURER'S HANDS.

Theological Seminary Fund	$ 33 71
Beneficiary Education Fund	105 55

Special Synodical Home Missions	$ 524 67	
Special Synodical Sunday-school Assessments	315 40	840 07
		$ 979 33
Synodical Fund, amount due Treasurer		113 35
		$ 865 98

FUNDED ASSETS IN TREASURER'S HANDS.

Women's $20,000 Mission Fund, in 5 per cent. certificate Valley B. and Loan Association	$ 561 82
Interest on same, in Treasurer's hands	49 47

ADDENDUM.

Received, Aug. 13, 1907, of Mr. H. M. Clemmer, from Mt. Tabor congregation, too late for report, and placed on books for next year's account, $10 for $20,000 Mission Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

M. COFFMAN, TREASURER.

Trinity church, Stephens City, Va.,
August 10, 1907.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

President—Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D.

Vice-President—Rev. Geo. S. Bowers.

Secretary—Rev. A. D. R. Hancher.

Treasurer—M. Coffman, Esq.

On motion, the business hours were made as follows: 9-11 a. m.; 2.30–4.30 p. m.

The President announced Rev. W. P. Huddle an additional member of the Examining Committee.

The following report was read and adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

The papers placed in the hands of your committee are as follows: The regular dismissal of Rev. J. J. Scherer, Jr., signed by the President of the Maryland Synod; Rev. J. G. Graichen, signed by the President of the South Carolina Synod; Rev. W. J. D. Scherer, signed by the President of the East Pennsylvania Synod.

These brethren are transferred to this Synod, and are hereby cordially received. Respectfully submitted,

J. A. SNYDER,
W. J. SMITH,
J. M. SCHRECKHISE,
J. A. MOREHEAD,
W. P. HUDDLE.

On motion, the Synod adjourned. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D.

SECOND SESSION.

TRINITY CHURCH, STEPHENS CITY, VA.,
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21, 1907, 3 P. M.

The Synod was opened with devotional services by Rev. H. C. Haithcox, D. D.

The roll was called. The minutes were read and approved.

On motion, Rev. R. C. Holland, D. D., of the North Carolina Synod, chairman of the Board of Missions of the United Synod; Rev. W. H. Greever, of the South Carolina Synod, editor of the *Lutheran Church Visitor;* Rev. W. L. Seabrook, of the South Carolina Synod; Rev. J. L. Sibole, of the New York and New England Synod; and Rev. John C. Bowers, of the Maryland Synod, were received as advisory members.

On motion, Rev. E. L. Wessinger was received as fraternal delegate from the Tennessee Synod.

On motion, J. T. Crabtree, Superintendent of the Lutheran Orphan Home, Salem, Va., was invited to a seat in the Synod.

On motion, Rev. R. C. Holland, D. D., was invited to address the Synod at 4 p. m. on the subject of Missions.

The President appointed 10.30 a. m., Thursday, as the time to hear Rev. W. H. Greever on behalf of the Publication Cause.

The President appointed 3 p. m., Thursday, as the time to hear Supt. Crabtree on the work of the Orphan Home.

EDUCATIONAL INTERESTS.

The Secretary read a communication from Rev. S. C. Ballentine of the Southwestern Virginia Synod with reference to furthering the educational interests of the women of our church, requesting that a committee be appointed to meet with similar committees from the Southwestern Virginia Synod, the Virginia Conference of the Tennessee Synod, and the Holston Synod, to confer on this question.

On motion, the request was complied with by the election of the following committee: Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., Rev. Geo. S. Bowers, Rev. A. D. R. Hancher, and M. Coffman.

On motion, J. I. Coiner, student of theology, and Candidate M. Luther Canup were invited to seats in the Synod.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The President announced the following Standing Committees:

1. *President's Report.*—Revs. W. P. Huddle, D. W. Files, P. J. Wade, and Messrs. A. W. Craun and W. J. Richards.
2. *Treasurer's Report.*—Messrs. Jacob Umlauf and S. T. Shank.
3. *Secretary's Report.*—Rev. W. J. D. Scherer, and Messrs. J. L. Wisman and J. B. White.
4. *State of the Church.*—Revs. J. M. Shreckhise, W. W. J. Ritchie, J. J. Scherer, Jr., and Messrs. B. F. Apperson and J. F. Arehart.
5. *Literary Institutions.*—Revs. W. H. Riser, J. W. Shuey, W. J. Smith, and Messrs. Henry Rudolph and Edward P. Frye.
6. *Minutes of Last Synod.*—Revs. J. A. Huffard, J. M. Tise, and Messrs. S. B. Hepner and M. E. Koontz.
7. *Conferences.*—Revs. Peter Miller, J. G. Graichen, and Messrs. H. M. Clemmer and J. M. Kagey.
8. *Letters and Petitions.*—Revs. H. C. Haithcox, D. D., C. W. Cassell, and Messrs. J. S. Borden and W. K. Smith.
9. *Vacancies.*—Revs. J. A. Snyder, D. D., E. A. Repass, Ph. D., and H. T. Rosen.

10. *Appropriations and Apportionments.*—Revs. Geo. S. Bowers, G. E. Shuey, E. L. Folk, and Messrs. E. M. Funk, H. L. Snyder, and J. E. Cooper.

The Archivist read the following report, which was received and adopted:

REPORT OF ARCHIVIST.

The property of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Virginia now in the hands of the Archivist is as follows:

1. The protocol of the first four sessions of the Synod, presented to the Synod by Rev. S. L. Keller at the seventy-fifth anniversary, Woodstock, Va., 1904.

2. Four bound volumes of written and printed Minutes of the Synod from 1829 to 1900.

3. One bound copy of the Minutes of the "Education Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Virginia."

4. One bound copy of the Minutes of the "Synodical Home Missionary Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Virginia."

5. One bound copy of the Constitution of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Virginia.

6. The seal of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Virginia.

7. The protocol of the Synod which ended with the year 1904 is in the library of Roanoke College, Salem, Va.

All of the above named property of the Synod is in good condition.

Respectfully submitted,

A. D. R. HANCHER, *Archivist.*

The hour appointed having arrived, Rev. R. C. Holland, D. D., addressed the Synod in behalf of the work of the Mission Board of the United Synod.

On motion, the Synod adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. A. Morehead, D. D.

THIRD SESSION.

TRINITY CHURCH, STEPHENS CITY, VA.,
THURSDAY, AUGUST 22, 1907, 9 A. M.

The Synod was called to order, and opened with devotional exercises by Rev. P. J. Wade.

The roll was called. The minutes were read and approved.

On motion, Rev. E. A. Repass, Ph. D., was excused from attendance on yesterday's session.

On motion, Rev. W. H. Riser was excused from attendance on yesterday.

On motion, Rev. J. F. W. Kitzmeyer was excused from attendance yesterday.

The following report was read, considered by items, and adopted :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINUTES OF LAST SYNOD.

Your committee notice only two items claiming attention :

First, page 30. Has the Waynesboro pastor been supplying the pulpit of Trinity church, Buena Vista, during the past synodical year? No.

Second, page 34. Have the pastors generally observed the educational day in behalf of Roanoke College? In part.

J. A. HUFFARD,
J. M. TISE,
S. B. HEPNER,
M. E. KOONTZ.

TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING.

On motion, the time and place of next meeting of Synod were fixed by the selection of Richmond, Va., as the place, and August 25, 1908, as the time.

PUBLICATION CAUSE.

The hour for the first special order of the day having arrived, Rev. W. H. Greever, editor of the *Lutheran Church Visitor*, addressed the Synod in behalf of the Publication Cause.

On motion, the Synod adjourned, with prayer by Rev. A. D. R. Hancher.

FOURTH SESSION.

TRINITY CHURCH, STEPHENS CITY, VA.,
THURSDAY, AUG. 22, 1907, 2.45 P. M.

The Synod convened, and was opened with prayer by Rev. W. H. Greever.

The roll was called. The minutes were read and approved.

On motion, Messrs. M. E. Koontz, J. M. Kagey, J. F. Arehart, L. H. Helms, and M. Coffman were excused from further attendance after today.

The hour for the second special order of the day having arrived, Superintendent J. T. Crabtree, of the Orphan Home, addressed the Synod on that work.

On motion, a committee was appointed to bring to the attention of Synod any item of importance from the representatives of the three general causes of the church—the Board of Missions, the Publication Cause, and the Orphan Home, as follows: Revs. W. H. Riser, Peter Miller, and E. A. Repass, Ph. D.

On motion, Rev. J. C. Peery, of the Southwestern Virginia Synod, was received as an advisory member.

On motion, L. S. G. Miller, missionary elect to Japan, was invited to a seat in the Synod.

On motion, the presence of Rev. W. A. Crawford, of the Presbyterian church, was recognized.

The following report was read and adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCES.

Your Committee on Conferences report that the minutes of the Potomac Conference show that two conventions of conference required by the constitution of Synod, were held with a goodly number of the ministers and lay-delegates of the churches in attendance. There were some absentees, but there is no *unexcused* absence noted. The meetings were interesting, the discussions of the topics were highly instructive and doubtless profitable. The only matter requiring special consideration by Synod was the subject of Sunday funerals, which matter is in the hands of the Committee on President's Report.

The Secretary of the Southern Conference failed to have the minutes of the meetings of the body here for examination. But we learn, incidentally, that full and good meetings were held at the time appointed.

Respectfully submitted,

P. MILLER,
J. G. GRAICHEN,
J. M. KAGEY,
H. M. CLEMMER,

The following report was read, received, considered by items and adopted as a whole:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

We, your Committee on President's Report, submit the following recommendations:

1. That we approve the official acts of the President of our Synod.

2. That in response to the overtures of the Potomac Conference with reference to Sunday funerals, we recommend that our pastors, as far as possible, discourage them, and that ordinarily they be not allowed to take the place of the regular service on the Lord's day, and that this action of the Synod be brought by the pastors to the attention of their congregations.

3. That the Treasurer of the Synod be instructed to pay off the third and fourth seminary bonds, aggregating $666.66, due Oct. 1, 1907, together with the accrued interest of $50—the amount to be paid from Special Synodical Home Mission Fund.

4. That the thanks of this body be returned to the President for the fidelity with which he has discharged the duties of his office.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. HUDDLE,
D. W. FILES,
P. J. WADE,
A. W. CRAUN,
W. J. RICHARDS,
COMMITTEE.

The following report was read, considered by items, and adopted as a whole:

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We, your committee, would respectfully offer the following report:

A meeting of the committee was held on Sept. 2, 1906, at which Rev. George S. Bowers was elected chairman; and Rev. C. W. Cassell, secretary. The committee at this time considered the application of Mr. Charles Coffelt for synodical aid to study for the ministry, and later made an effort to examine him according to the requirements of our rule governing applicants for such aid. After some correspondence we ascertained the brother had already gone to Roanoke College where he stayed for but a short period, returning to his home and apparently abandoning his purpose to prepare for the ministry. We accordingly dropped his case.

Each of the two pastorates, Capon and Harrisonburg, has sent three most gratifying reports to the committee during the year. These

reports show faithful work done by the pastors and their people. They ask for a continuance of the amounts granted last year, namely, $150 and $275 respectively, to aid in their work.

A most creditable report, respecting the moral and intellectual standing of our beneficiary at Roanoke College, Mr. C. W. Hepner, has been received.

In the matter of the appeal of the mission at Lynchburg through the pastor, Rev. J. C. Peery, nothing was done by the committee, owing to the fact that brother Peery did not at any time during the year seek the offices of the committee looking to the canvass of the congregations of our Synod. On the 5th of May last, a letter was received from brother Peery asking if the aid of the committee and Synod could be enlisted in behalf of the purchase of a property for a parsonage for the mission. We replied that we were only an executive committee and without authority to initiate any new undertaking involving the Synod. Brother Peery later wrote, requesting the privilege of a hearing at this session of Synod.

An application has been presented to the committee from Grace church, Waynesboro, for aid to the amount of $150.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

We recommend :

(1) That Synod appropriate $150 to the Capon pastorate, to supplement salary for the ensuing synodical year.

(2) That Synod appropriate $275 to the Harrisonburg congregation for the ensuing synodical year.

(3) That Grace congregation, Waynesboro, be granted $150 to aid in their work for the coming synodical year.

(4) That Rev. J. C. Peery be given the opportunity to present the work of our mission at Lynchburg at such an hour as the Synod may deem convenient.

GEO. S. BOWERS,
C. W. CASSELL,
OSCAR BARR,
J. M. SNAPP,
W. J. SMITH.
COMMITTEE.

On motion, Rev. J. C. Peery addressed the Synod in the interests of the mission at Lynchburg, Va.

On motion, the Synod adjourned with prayer by Rev. W. P. Huddle.

FIFTH SESSION.

TRINITY CHURCH, STEPHENS CITY, VA.,
FRIDAY, AUG. 23, 1907, 9.15 A. M.

The Synod was called to order and opened with devotional exercises by Rev. W. W. J. Ritchie.

The roll was called. The minutes were read and approved.

On motion, Rev. L. G. M. Miller, D. D., of the Lutheran Theological Seminary, Mt. Pleasant, S. C.; Rev. T. O. Keister, D. D., of the Southwestern Virginia Synod; and Rev. C. A. Freed, of the South Carolina Synod, were received as advisory members.

The following report was adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Your committee, appointed to examine the Secretary's Report, having performed said duty, find nothing in this report demanding the consideration of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. D. SCHERER,
J. B. WHITE,
J. L. WISMAN.

The following report was read and adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TREASURER'S REPORT.

We, your Committee on Treasurer's Report, beg leave to report that we have examined same, and find it correct.

Respectfully submitted,

JACOB UMLAUF,
S. T. SHANK.

The following report was read, considered by items, and adopted as a whole:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LETTERS AND PETITIONS.

Your committee respectfully submit the following report:

I. ON PETITIONS.

The Rockingham pastorate asks for an appropriation of one hundred dollars ($100) toward the support of their pastor. We recommend that their petition be granted.

II. ON LETTERS.

1. From Rev. W. H. Riser and Rev. Dr. Holland concerning the organization of a church in Portsmouth, Va. Your committee recommend:

(a) That the President and Vice-President of this Synod and Rev. W. H. Riser be a committee to look after Portsmouth as soon as they possibly can with the view of organizing a Lutheran church there.

(b) That the Board of the United Synod be requested to correspond with the proper authorities concerning the Swedes, Danes, and Norwegians at Norfolk, that they may have a shepherd.

2. A letter from Rev. Dr. Geo. H. Cox, of the North Carolina Synod, inclosing a blank report for congregations, asking this Synod to consider it with the view of bringing about uniformity in the statistical reports of all our churches. Your committee recommend the reference of this matter to the consideration of the United Synod.

3. Letters from Revs. A. A. J. Bushong, A. M. Smith, E. A. Shenk, J. H. Wyse, and Wm. W. Frey, asking to be excused for absence from this session of Synod. Your committee recommend that they be excused.

Respectfully submitted,

H. C. HAITHCOX,
C. W. CASSELL,
W. K. SMITH,
J. S. BORDEN.

PORTSMOUTH, VA.

On motion, the committee, appointed to consider the advisability of establishing a church in Portsmouth, Va., was authorized to visit that city, call a pastor, and make financial arrangements for carrying on the work, if found expedient.

On motion, the committee was authorized to raise or borrow funds, if the necessity should arise, in order to save our interests at Portsmouth.

On motion, the presence of Rev. Wm. Stevens, of the M. E. Church, South, was recognized.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GENERAL INTERESTS OF THE CHURCH.

The committee rendered its report, pending the consideration of which the Synod, on motion, adjourned with prayer by Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D.

SIXTH SESSION.

TRINITY CHURCH, STEPHENS CITY, VA.,
FRIDAY, AUGUST 23, 1907, 2.30 P. M.

The Synod was opened with devotional exercises by Rev. J. A. Snyder, D. D.

The roll was called. The minutes were read and approved.

On motion, Rev. H. E. Jacobs, D. D., LL. D., Dean of the Philadelphia Lutheran Theological Seminary, was received as an advisory member.

The Synod resumed the consideration of the Report of the Committee on General Interests of the Church by items, and the same was adopted as a whole.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GENERAL INTERESTS OF THE CHURCH.

I. LUTHERAN PUBLICATION HOUSE.

Recognizing the importance of the Publication Cause in the United Synod, we submit the following resolutions for the consideration of this Synod:

First, That we approve and endorse the actions of the Publication Committee of the United Synod, as they have been represented to this Synod.

Second, That we urge our congregations to take immediate steps to pay as a minimum toward the $10,000 Permanent Maintenance Fund, the amount recently requested of them by the official agent of the Publication Committee, and as much additional as possible.

Third, That all the Sunday-schools of this Synod be requested to respond according to ability to the appeal made by the Publication Committee in behalf of the current Maintenance Fund sometime in September or October.

Fourth, That these resolutions be published in the *Lutheran Church Visitor*, with the request to the management of that paper that marked copies of the issue containing these resolutions be sent to the pastors of this Synod, and that the pastors be requested to read these resolutions to all congregations at the earliest possible date.

II. MISSIONS.

We note the rapid development of the work and increasing demand for workers, as emphasized by Dr. Holland, President of the Mission Board, and urge it upon our people to pay in full and promptly their

apportionments. We deem it unwise now to ask for increased apportionments, but we do ask for what is apportioned promptly and in full that the work may not suffer for promised funds.

We would further suggest that divine guidance and leadership be emphasized in this connection, and that our people be requested to pray for missions as well as give to their support, that we may not fail in the great missionary crisis that is upon us.

III. ORPHAN HOME.

It is gratifying to us that the home is paid for, and that it is now our Orphan Home, and we would ask for a continued and growing support of that growing cause. We heartily commend the needs of the home to our people and ask that they do what they can for the comfort of these little ones of the church and of Christ.

W. H. RISER,
E. A. REPASS,
P. MILLER,
COMMITTEE.

The following report was read, considered by items, and adopted as a whole:

REPORT OF PASTORS' FUND SOCIETY.

A special meeting of the Pastors' Fund Society was held in Strasburg, Va., Sept. 23, 1906, to consider the application of Rev. J. A. Snyder, D. D., for aid, he proposing in the near future to demit the active service of the ministry.

The members present were: Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., Rev. E. L. Folk, Rev. A. D. R. Hancher, and Mr. C. W. Heater. On motion, the following resolutions were adopted:

1. That the sum of $150 annually during his life be given Rev. J. A. Snyder, D. D., the same to be paid quarterly in advance by the Treasurer of this Society.

2. That this amount become payable on the date on which Dr. Snyder's resignation takes effect, and when he ceases from all ministerial service.

3. That Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., visit Dr. Snyder and explain to him the action of the Society in fixing the amount at $150 on the conditions above specified.

On motion, the meeting adjourned.

The annual meeting of the Pastors' Fund Society was held in Strasburg, Va., August 13, 1907, with the President, Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., in the chair.

Mr. J. E. Cooper led in prayer. The minutes were read and approved. Rev. A. D. R. Hancher was appointed secretary.

On motion, Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., and Mr. C. W. Heater were elected directors for the term ending August, 1910; subject to the ratification of the Synod.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D.; Vice-President, Mr. J. E. Cooper; Secretary, Rev. A. D. R. Hancher; Treasurer, Mr. C. W. Heater.

The treasurer, Mr. C. W. Heater, read his report which was received for consideration.

Mr. J. E. Cooper was appointed a committee of one to audit the report, reporting it correct.

On motion, the apportionment on congregations was raised from three cents per member to five cents per member; that upon the ministers remaining the same, viz., each pastor receiving $600 or more, ¾ of one per cent., and ½ of one per cent. on salary of each pastor receiving less than $600 per annum.

On motion, $50 were appropriated to Rev. A. A. J. Bushong for the ensuing year.

On motion, the Finance Committee was re-elected as follows: Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., Rev. W. J. Smith, J. E. Cooper, and C. W. Heater.

On motion, the society adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

L. L. SMITH,
E. L. FOLK,
W. J. SMITH,
A. D. R. HANCHER,
J. E. COOPER,
C. W. HEATER.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF PASTORS' FUND SOCIETY.

1906.		RECEIPTS.	
Aug.	14.	By cash in S. V. N. Bank	$436 97
Aug.	29.	From Rev. W. W. J. Ritchie	2 00
Aug.	29.	From Churchville pastorate	5 83
Sept.	13.	From Rev. E. L. Folk	5 00
Sept.	13.	From Bethel, Mt. Jackson pastorate	2 40
Sept.	13.	From Mt. Calvary, Mt. Jackson pastorate	2 40
Sept.	13.	From St. James, Mt. Jackson pastorate	3 00
Oct.	17.	From M. Coffman, Treas., int. on Seminary bond	16 66
Dec.	15.	From Rev. A. D. R. Hancher	5 00
1907.			
Jan.	9.	Interest on S. C. bonds Nos. 22 and 59	12 00
Jan.	9.	Interest on deposits	6 00
April	10.	From Christ church, Staunton	6 21
May	11.	From First Lutheran church, Norfolk	5 50

May	11.	From Emmanuel, Woodstock	4 59
May	21.	From Rev. W. P. Huddle	5 06
May	21.	From Hebron, Madison pastorate	4 75
June	12.	From Rev. P. Miller	2 00
June	12.	From North River pastorate	6 00
June	29.	From St. Matthew's, New Market	4 74
July	2.	From Rev. A. D. R. Hancher	7 00
July	2.	From Rev. J. A. Huffard	2 50
July	6.	Interest on S. C. bonds Nos. 22 and 59	12 00
July	6.	Interest on deposits	5 90
July	20.	From Grace church, Winchester	12 63
July	20.	From St. Mark's, Luray	2 00
July	25.	From St. Paul's, Strasburg	5 76
July	31.	From Rev. P. J. Wade	2 38
July	31.	From Capon pastorate	5 13
Aug.	5.	From Rev. George S. Bowers	9 00
Aug.	5.	From Rev. John W. Shuey	5 00
Aug.	9.	From Spring Valley, Buena Vista pastorate	1 00
Aug.	9.	From New Mt. Olives, Buena Vista pastorate	3 00
Aug.	9.	From Rev. J. M. Shreckhise	1 50
Aug.	9.	From St. Martin's, New Market pastorate	1 50
Aug.	9.	From Rev. D. W. Files	2 50
Aug.	10.	From Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D	4 87
Aug.	10.	From Rev. J. A. Morehead, D. D., for 1906–7	10 00
Aug.	12.	From Rev. C. W. Cassell	2 25
Aug.	12.	From Trinity, Stephens City pastorate	3 75
Aug.	12.	From Salem pastorate	2 06
Aug.	13.	From Rev. J. F. W. Kitzmeyer	5 00
Aug.	13.	From St. Peter's, Strasburg pastorate	4 20
			$647 04

DISBURSEMENTS.

1906.			
Aug.	20.	To amt. paid Rev. A. A. J. Bushong, by order Board	25 00
Aug.	20.	Paid Rev. A. D. R. Hancher, expenses attending meeting of Board	2 85
Aug.	20.	Paid Rev. E. L. Folk for same	1 00
Sept.	24.	Paid Rev. E. L. Folk for same	1 00
Sept.	24.	Paid Rev. A. D. R. Hancher for same	2 85
Dec.	21.	Paid Rev. A. A. J. Bushong, by order of Board	25 00
1907.			
Feb.	5.	Paid Rev. J. A. Snyder, D. D.	37 50
April	12.	Paid Rev. J. A. Snyder, D. D.	37 50
July	6.	Paid Rev. J. A. Snyder, D. D.	37 50
			$170 20

ASSETS.

1907.

One Charleston city bond, No. 59, 4 per cent.	$500 00
One Charleston city bond, No. 22, 4 per cent.	100 00
One Virginia Synod bond (see Min. 1904, p. 37), 5 per cent.	333 33
Cash in S. V. N. Bank, Winchester, Va.	476 84
	$1410 17

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. HEATER,
Treasurer Pastors' Fund Society.

On motion, Mr. J. L. Wisman was excused from further attendance upon this session of Synod.

The following report was read, considered by items, and adopted as a whole:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BITTLE MEMORIAL FUND.

We, your committee appointed at the last convention of this Synod to inaugurate plans for raising a fund of $25,000, for the purpose of endowing the Chair of Mental and Moral Philosophy in Roanoke College in memory of Rev. David F. Bittle, D. D., the founder and first president of Roanoke College, would respectfully report:

First, That the committee during the year held several meetings at which the details of the campaign and the methods of the canvass were determined.

Second, Among these details were the preparation of certificates to be given to each subscriber to this fund, a copy of which is hereby submitted for the inspection of the Synod.

Third, The canvass was commenced in the Strasburg pastorate by Rev. J. A. Morehead, D. D., representing the college and Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., of the committee representing the Synod.

Fourth, Since the beginning of the canvass, including the above named pastorate, the following pastorates have been visited, viz., Mt. Tabor, Zion–St. James, Bethany, Salem, Middlebrook, Shenandoah, Madison, Norfolk and Newport News with gratifying results. In addition to these a partial effort has been made in the Staunton, Winchester, and Luray pastorates.

Fifth, The results are as follows:

Strasburg, St. Paul's	$ 855 00
Tom's Brook, St. Peter's	749 00
Mt. Tabor	252 10
Zion–St. James	289 50
Bethany	408 00

Salem, Salem	302 00
Melanchthon Chapel	240 00
St. James	50 00
Shenandoah, Mt. Zion	163 50
Lebanon	120 00
Madison, Pisgah	5 00
Hebron	370 00
Winchester	1655 00
Luray	46 00
Staunton	386 50
Norfolk	110 00
Newport News	160 00
Middlebrook	1100 00
Individuals	80 00
Total	$7331 60

Sixth, These amounts will be supplemented by additional contributions from these various pastorates.

Seventh, The committee would make the following recommendations :

1. That in order that the contributions in total pass to this fund, this Synod appropriate out of its Synodical Fund the sum of $13 for printing, postage, &c.

2. That the Synod hereby reaffirms the action taken at Mt. Tabor and instructs its committee to continue this movement in all the pastorates of the Synod until it is completed, and that the Synod begs the hearty co-operation and support of every minister and layman in its bounds.

Respectfully submitted,

L. L. SMITH,
GEO. S. BOWERS,
J. H. WYSE,
A. D. R. HANCHER,
M. COFFMAN.

On motion, Revs. Peter Miller, J. M. Shreckhise, and J. M. Tise, and Messrs. Jacob Umlauf and B. F. Apperson were excused from further attendance after this afternoon's session of Synod.

The following report was read, considered by items, and adopted as a whole :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LITERARY INSTITUTIONS.

We, your Committee on Literary Institutions, have had placed in our hands both the annual catalogue and *Collegian* of Roanoke College.

We have examined the same, and have noted with enlivened interest that the college is to have three additional professors whose work will give to the college a broader and more advanced curriculum—all of which has been made possible by the larger endowment and deeper interest manifested by our Lutheran people throughout the State, coupled with Mr. Carnegie's liberal gift of $25,000.

It is a pleasure to note here the names of the three able and efficient professors who will come to Roanoke next year.

1. Prof. Herman Thorstenberg, A. M., Ph. D., professor of History and Economics.

2. Prof. W. E. Maneval, M. S., professor of Biology.

3. Prof. Chas. C. Grove, Ph. D., professor of Mathematics and Astronomy.

The teaching force of the college is now larger than any college of like kind in the State, the faculty consisting of sixteen professors.

It is indeed gratifying to note the large enrollment of 218 students. This marks an era in point of attendance never before attained in the history of the institution. We rejoice also in the report that comes to us, of the good deportment, the Christian environments, and favorable religious condition of the college which as an influence for good has manifested itself in the large percentage of students now in preparation for the Gospel ministry.

With this increased usefulness and the enlarged possibilities of the college comes also the duty and responsibility of the church to aid in its support.

We, therefore, recommend:

1. That this Synod place on record its highest appreciation of the untiring services of its devoted president and able and efficient corps of teachers.

2. That pastors and congregations continue to observe educational day and make an earnest effort to raise a part of the $25,000 necessary to complete the Bittle endowment.

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

From the catalogue of the Theological Seminary, we find there were nine students in attendance last year—2 in Senior, 3 in Middle, 4 in the Junior classes.

We do most earnestly and heartily recommend this institution to all young men of our Synod who may now or at any time desire to enter the Gospel ministry.

We believe that young men receiving financial aid should attend our own Southern Seminary as a matter of principle and loyalty to our Southern church and her institution.

We recommend the appropriation of $100 for the support of the seminary.

W. H. RISER,
W. J. SMITH,
JOHN W. SHUEY,
E. P. FRYE,
W. H. RUDOLPH,
COMMITTEE.

On motion, the recommendations of the Ministerium for the ordination of Candidates L. S. G. Miller and M. Luther Canup were adopted.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE.

WHEREAS, The Anti-Saloon League, an undenominational, interdenominational, and non-partisan organization, called into existence to destroy the saloon, commends itself to the judgment of all temperance advocates and workers, and affords a common ground upon which all such can stand in harmonious endeavor; and

WHEREAS, This league is wisely and conservatively managed, striving by education and legislation to achieve the destruction of the reign of the saloon iniquity in our State and nation; and

WHEREAS, Signal success has marked its efforts to this end; therefore,

Resolved, That we, the members of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Virginia, do hereby express our hearty approval of this organization in its spirit, methods, and aims, endorse its admirable and righteous work, and pledge to it our moral and practical support.

On motion, the Synod adjourned with prayer by Rev. Peter Miller.

ORDINATION SERVICE.

At 8 p. m., an ordination service was held at which time Candidates L. S. G. Miller, missionary-elect to Japan, and M. Luther Canup, pastor-elect of the Mt. Jackson pastorate, were solemnly ordained to the office of the Gospel Ministry. The ordination sermon was preached by Rev. W. P. Huddle, of Madison C. H., Va.

SEVENTH SESSION.

TRINITY CHURCH, STEPHENS CITY, VA.,
SATURDAY, AUGUST 24, 1907, 9.30 A. M.

The Synod convened, and was opened with devotional exercises by Rev. J. M. Shreckhise.

SPEAKERS.

The President appointed speakers for the coming year as follows:

Ordination—Rev. Peter Miller.
Education—Rev. J. H. Wyse.
Missions—Rev. W. J. D. Scherer.

On motion, Rev. L. G. M. Miller, D. D., of the Lutheran Theological Seminary, Mt. Pleasant, S. C., addressed the Synod on the work of that institution.

The following report was read, adopted, and ordered printed:

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF ROANOKE COLLEGE.

DEAR SIRS AND BRETHREN:—The fifty-fourth session of Roanoke College has been in some respects the most notable in its history. For the rich measure of blessing that has been given the institution during the year, the church is under a debt of gratitude to God.

The enrollment the past session reached 218, the largest attendance recorded in the history of the institution. The order was good, the work of the students was satisfactory on the whole, and moral and religious conditions were encouraging. Eighty per cent. of the students were members of Christian churches, and some thirty-five young men have already decided to enter the Christian ministry. From this record of work that God has given the college to do, it seems quite clear that there remains a place for the Christian college to fill among the educational forces of the State. As a matter of fact never before was there such necessity perhaps for the emphasis of the character-building agencies in education, chief among which are the Word of God and Christian learning. If coming generations are to be saved from entire secularization, the means of moral and religious culture must be kept in their central place in her institutions by the Christian church.

It is a pleasure to report that the movement to raise $35,000 to secure Mr. Carnegie's conditional gift of $25,000 has been successfully con-

cluded, as already announced in the press. The president and trustees of the college express grateful appreciation of the generous share taken in this movement by the Virgina Synod for the enlargement of her college for men. I trust you will permit me personally to record my thankfulness to the pastors and the people of the various congregations who have so generously and successfully helped to make possible the achievement of paying off the debt of $10,000 and raising a new endowment fund of $50,000. May God return in richest blessing to the people and to the church this generous gift for the permanent enlargement of the most fundamental activity among all the works of the church!

The increased endowment has enabled the trustees of the college to add additional courses and professors for the coming session. Professor Herman Thorstenberg, A. M., Ph. D. (Yale University), has been elected Acting Professor of the new chair of History and Economics. Prof. W. E. Maneval, A. B., A. M. (Bucknell University), who has done graduate work at Johns Hopkins, has been elected Acting Professor of the new chair of Biology and Geology. Last November, Professor Ambler's resignation having been accepted, Professor G. W. Greenwood, of Dunbar, Pa., was secured to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the past session. The trustees have elected Professor Chas. C. Grove, A. B., A. M. (Pennsylvania College), Ph. D. (Johns Hopkins), Acting Professor of Mathematics and Astronomy. It is believed that the introduction of these gentlemen will serve greatly to strengthen the faculty, not only in numbers, but also in scholarship and Christian character. It is felt with all conviction that the church must offer at her college the very best educational facilities and advantages in addition to the positive Christian influences of a church institution.

The trustees of the college are most grateful for the generous plans of this body to share so notably in the movement to enlarge the means and facilities of the institution by endowing the David F. Bittle chair of Intellectual and Moral Philosophy. Much encouragement is felt at the college on account of the enthusiastic and aggressive way in which the Virginia Synod has entered upon the execution of its definite resolutions of last year to raise the Bittle Memorial Fund of $25,000. With the completion of this great movement, a third new professor can be added to the teaching force. Thus shall the pressing necessity for more men to do the larger work coming to the college, be met. Then attention can be turned to the erection of much needed additional buildings. Our watchword in the work of Christian education must be *ever increasing efficiency for Roanoke College.*

With a high sense of appreciation of the generously loyal co-oper-

ation of this body, I wish to say that Roanoke College is earnestly desirous of greater usefulness in the service of the church. Your college, with increased facilities and without additional cost, stands ready to do the work of the church in the cause of Christian education. That the sons of the church may be prepared by a thorough collegiate education for greater usefulness in the world, may pastors, congregations, and parents do all in their power to send them to the college of their own church. Roanoke College needs nothing more from the Synod of Virginia than the opportunity to serve the Synod by educating her young men.

Assuring you of a sincere appreciation of your kindly courtesy and co-operation, I remain, in this service,

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

J. A. MOREHEAD.

On motion, Rev. L. A. Fox, D. D., of the Southwestern Virginia Synod, was received as an advisory member.

UNION OF SYNODS.

The Secretary read a communication from the Secretary of the Southwestern Virginia Synod as follows:

REV. A. D. R. HANCHER, *Secy.*,
Evang. Lutheran Synod of Virginia,
Stephens City, Virginia,

DEAR BROTHER:—I am authorized by the President of the Synod of Southwestern Virginia to inform you that that Synod, at its late meeting at Tazewell, Va., resolved to enter into negotiations with your Synod and the Virginia Conference of the Tennessee Synod with reference to the union of these three bodies.

Respectfully, PAUL SIEG,
Secy. Evang. Lutheran Synod S. W. Va.

Wytheville, Va., Aug. 22, 1907.

On motion, the officers of this Synod were made a committee to confer with similar committees from the Southwestern Virginia Synod and the Virginia Conference of the Tennessee Synod with reference to a union of the three bodies.

The following report was read and adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE CHURCH.

There will always be some degree of sameness in the annual reports on the State of the Church in the different pastorates, varying only as

the church grows or declines in activity along certain lines of church work. It is just as difficult to tell the development of the church's growth as to piety, as it is to tell the state of piety of the individual member, except so far as outward evidences are given. Judging therefore by the outward manifestations which our Savior has given as a rule for deciding our spiritual condition, "By their fruits ye shall know them," we have reason to believe that some advancement has been made in our church, though there is still room for improvement. As the needs of our church in her work become better known, there is an increase in activity in Christian work. Our people are becoming more and more impressed with the idea that they are stewards of the Lord as to their time, talents, wealth, &c., and should employ every thing they have and are for the promotion of the glory of God in the salvation of souls. The attendance upon the preached Word and the Sacraments is increasing, which indicates an appreciation of the divinely appointed means of grace and a willingness to obey the command, "not to neglect the assembling of ourselves together as the manner of some is." A hopeful sign is that the Sunday-schools are holding their own and religious instruction is given in the catechism. It is also stated by some of the pastors that the catechism is taught in the families of the church, as it should be, and was designed by the leaders of our church. Prayer meetings are kept up in some of our congregations, but in many this part of the church service is no longer observed. Church property generally is in good condition, and very little debt has been reported. One sad condition in which we find the churches is that our church paper has not as large a circulation in many of our congregations as it should have. Its extensive circulation we regard as essential toward keeping our people informed as to the needs of the church.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. SHRECKHISE,
J. J. SCHERER, JR,
W. W. J. RITCHIE,
J. F. AREHART,
B. F. APPERSON.

EXAMINING COMMITTEE.

The President announced the Examining Committee as follows: Revs. J. A. Snyder, D. D., W. J. Smith, J. M. Shreckhise, J. A. Morehead, D. D., and W. P. Huddle.

COMMITTEE TO NOMINATE AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The President appointed Revs. E. A. Repass, Ph. D., E. L. Folk, and W. H. Riser a Committee to Nominate an Executive Committee.

HISTORY OF LUTHERAN CHURCH.

On motion, the forthcoming history of the Lutheran Church in Madison county, Va., by Rev. W. P. Huddle, was commended to the Synod and the church.

On motion, the letter of the Messrs. Hitt, of Washington, D. C., addressed to the Synod, was referred to the President of Synod, Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D.

On motion, Rev. M. Luther Canup was excused from further attendance upon Synod.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS AND APPROPRIATIONS.

The report of this committee was read, and pending the discussion of the report the Synod, on motion, adjourned with prayer by Rev. J. A. Snyder, D. D.

EIGHTH SESSION.

TRINITY CHURCH, STEPHENS CITY, VA.,
SATURDAY, AUGUST 24, 1907, 2.45 P. M.

The Synod was opened with devotional exercises by Rev. E. L. Folk.

The roll was called. The minutes were read and approved.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Apportionments and Appropriations was adopted as follows :

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENTS AND APPROPRIATIONS.

We report apportionments same as last year, both for congregations and Sunday-schools.

APPORTIONMENTS.

PASTORATES.	Theological Seminary.	Beneficiary Education.	Spec. Synodical Home Mission Fund.	Synodical Fund.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Orphan Home.	Roanoke College.	Woman's $20,000 Fund.	Virginia Bible Society.
Bethany	$ 3 00	$ 5 00	$ 7 00	$ 8 00	$ 28 00	$ 18 00	$ 7 00			
Bethlehem	5 00	4 00	8 00	5 00	14 00	7 00	3 00			
Capon	2 00	3 00	5 00	3 00	16 00	10 00	5 00			
Churchville { St. Peter	2 00	3 00	4 00	2 50	6 00	6 00	2 00			
Churchville { Pleasant View	2 00	3 00	4 00	5 00	8 00	5 00	3 00			
Gravel Springs	7 00	9 00	10 00	15 00	65 00	50 00	25 00			
Harrisonburg	3 00	5 00	5 00	4 00	18 00	10 00	5 00			
Luray { Ebenezer	1 00	1 00	1 50	2 00	7 50	5 00	2 50			
Luray { St. Mark	2 00	3 00	3 00	4 50	9 00	6 00	4 00			
Luray { Bethlehem	1 00	1 00	1 00	2 75	6 00	4 00	2 00			
Madison { Pisgah	1 00	5 00	2 00	2 75	2 00	1 00	1 00			
Madison { Hebron	12 00	12 00	20 00	25 00	90 00	50 00	25 00			
Mt. Jackson	4 00	10 00	17 00	20 00	87 00	45 00	17 50			
Mason { New Haven	50	1 00	2 00	2 00	10 00	5 50	3 00			
Mason { White	1 00	1 00	4 00	3 50	16 50	8 50	4 00			
Mason { New Hope	50	50	1 00	1 00	4 00	2 50	1 00			
Mason { Zion	50	50	1 00	1 00	4 50	3 00	2 00			
Middlebrook { Holy Trinity	2 00	6 00	5 00	5 00	20 00	10 00	5 00			
Middlebrook { St. Mark	1 00	2 00	2 50	2 00	9 00	7 00	1 50			
Middlebrook { Mt. Hermon	1 00	2 00	1 00	1 50	6 00	3 00	1 00			
Mt. Tabor	8 00	10 00	14 00	15 00	65 00	40 00	15 00			
New Market { St. Matthew	5 00	5 00	14 00	9 00	45 00	20 00	5 00			
New Market { St. Mark	4 00	3 00	7 00	3 00	14 00	10 00	4 00			
New Market { St. Martin	4 00	3 00	7 00	3 00	14 00	10 00	4 00			
Newport News	2 00	5 00	7 00	5 00	8 00	7 00	3 00			
Norfolk	2 00	5 00	7 00	7 00	20 00	15 00	7 00			
North River	4 00	3 00	8 00	5 00	19 00	10 00	5 00			
Richmond	4 00	6 00	8 00	8 00	22 50	7 00	7 00			
Rockingham	3 00	3 00	5 00	7 00	24 00	15 00	7 50			
Shenandoah { Mt. Zion	2 00	4 50	4 00	3 00	15 00	18 00	2 50			
Shenandoah { St. Luke	1 00	2 50	3 00	2 00	10 00	7 00	2 50			
Shenandoah { Lebanon	2 00	5 00	4 00	5 00	22 00	10 00	3 00			
Shepherdstown { St. Peter	8 00	10 00	20 00	25 00	66 00	40 00	20 00			
Shepherdstown { St. James	4 00	7 00	12 00	12 00	34 00	20 00	10 00			
Spring Val. { Buena Vista	3 00	3 00	4 00	4 00	10 00	8 00	3 00			
Spring Val. { New Mt. Olive	1 00	3 00	3 50	1 50	3 50	3 50	1 00			
Spring Val. { Spring Valley	1 00	3 00	3 50	1 50	3 50	3 50	1 00			
Salem	5 00	5 00	10 00	17 00	42 00	30 00	7 50			
Staunton	7 00	12 00	20 00	20 00	70 00	40 00	20 00			
Strasburg { St. Paul	1 50	8 00	14 00	12 00	30 00	18 00	7 50			
Strasburg { St. Peter	1 50	8 00	14 00	10 00	25 00	15 00	7 50			
Stephens City { St Paul	2 00	3 00	4 00	5 00	22 00	10 00	2 50			
Stephens City { Trinity	2 00	2 00	3 50	7 00	20 00	12 00	5 00			
Waynesboro	2 00	3 00	7 00	5 00	5 00	4 00	3 00			
Winchester	15 00	20 00	50 00	75 00	225 00	750 00	55 00			
Woodstock	9 00	10 00	20 00	20 00	35 00	25 00	9 00			
Zion-St. James	7 00	10 00	14 00	15 00	70 00	40 00	13 00			
Amount on hand last year										
Total										

SUNDAY-SCHOOL APPORTIONMENTS.

FOR SYNODICAL HOME MISSIONS.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL—PASTORATE.	Apportioned.
Bethany—Bethany	$ 8 00
Bethlehem—Bethlehem	6 00
Grace—Waynesboro	6 00
Trinity—Buena Vista	2 00
Hebron—Capon	5 00
St. Peter's—Capon	5 00
Mt. Moriah—North River	2 00
Ebenezer—North River	4 00
St. Peter's—Churchville	2 00
Pleasant View—Churchville	4 00
Bethel—Gravel Springs	8 00
Fremont—Gravel Springs	1 00
Gravel Springs—Gravel Springs	5 00
St. John—Gravel Springs	8 00
St. James—Gravel Springs	5 00
Muhlenberg—Harrisonburg	10 00
Lebanon—Shenandoah	5 00
Mt. Zion—Shenandoah	1 50
St. Luke—Shenandoah	1 50
St. Paul—Stephen's City	5 00
Trinity—Stephen's City	5 00
Hebron—Madison	15 00
Mt. Pisgah—Madison	1 00
Mt. Calvary—Mt. Jackson	6 00
Bethel—Mt. Jackson	2 50
St. James—Mt. Jackson	2 50
New Haven—Mason	2 00
New Hope—Mason	1 00
White—Mason	2 00
Zion—Mason	1 00
Holy Trinity—Middlebrook	5 00
Mt. Hermon—Middlebrook	1 50
St. Mark's—Middlebrook	3 50
Mt. Tabor—Mt. Tabor	10 00
St. Matthew's—New Market	4 00
St. Mark's—New Market	2 00
St. Martin—New Market	2 00
First Church—Norfolk	10 00
Bethlehem—Luray	1 00
St. Mark's—Luray	8 00
Ebenezer—Luray	5 00
First English Church—Richmond	15 00
Frieden's—Rockingham	3 00
St. John's—Rockingham	3 00
St. Peter's—Shepherdstown	20 00
Uvilla—Shepherdstown	10 00
Christ Church—Staunton	20 00
St. Paul's—Strasburg	15 00
St. Peter's—Strasburg	10 00
Salem—Salem	12 00
Melanchthon Chapel—Salem	5 00
St. James—Salem	5 00
Zion—Zion-St. James	8 00
St. James—Zion-St. James	8 00
Grace Church—Winchester	100 00
Emmanuel—Woodstock	25 00
Newport News	5 00
Spring Valley—Spring Valley	1 00
New Mt. Olive—Spring Valley	2 00
	$451 00

APPROPRIATIONS.

We make the following appropriations :

FROM BENEFICIARY FUND.

For Beneficiary Education $200 00

FROM SYNODICAL HOME MISSION FUND.

For Seminary Fund $716 66
For Harrisonburg 275 00
For Capon 150 00
For Waynesboro 150 00
For Rockingham 100 00
For Churchville 125 00

FROM THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FUND.

For Theological Seminary $100 00

FROM SYNODICAL FUND.

For Printing Minutes $100 00
For Secretary's salary and expenses 17 59
For Treasurer's salary and expenses 57 00
For President's expenses 2 50
For Roanoke College Com 13 00
For United Synod Treas 30 21
For sexton 5 00

FROM HOME MISSIONS, UNITED SYNOD FUND.

For Home Missions $1250 00

FROM ORPHAN HOME FUND.

For Orphan Home $350 00

FROM FOREIGN MISSION FUND.

For Foreign Missions $1400 00

We recommend that the Treasurer of Synod be instructed to notify the Superintendent of each Sunday-school, as to its apportionment.

We recommend that in case another General Conference be held under the auspices of the Joint Committee of the General Bodies co-operating in that movement, the Treasurer of this Synod be authorized to pay the *pro rata* share of the expenses of said conference upon direction of the President of this body.

W. H. RISER,
G. S. BOWERS,
E. L. FOLK,
GEO. E. SHUEY,
H. L. SNYDER,
J. E. COOPER.

The following report was read and adopted :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATING EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee to Nominate an Executive Committee, name the following : Revs. Geo. S. Bowers, W. J. D. Scherer, E. A. Repass, Ph. D., and Messrs. M. Coffman and J. E. Cooper.

Respectfully submitted,

E. L. FOLK,
W. H. RISER,
E. A. REPASS.

The following report was read and adopted :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BIBLE SOCIETY OF VIRGINIA.

Your committee appointed to inform the churches about the Bible Society of Virginia (now a branch of the American Bible Society), report that during the year, reports from this society had been sent to the pastors, and also a request to take up an annual collection for this cause. The Treasurer's Report shows that only a few of our congregations have made contributions.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. HUDDLE,
C. A. MARKS.

SERVICES FOR BUENA VISTA.

On motion, the pastor of Waynesboro, Va., in view of $150 given the Waynesboro work, was requested to furnish one service a month to the church in Buena Vista.

MINUTES OF SYNOD.

On motion, 1500 copies of the Minutes of this convention of Synod were ordered printed and distributed on the usual basis.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

On motion, the thanks of this Synod were ordered to be returned to the pastor and congregation for their kindness and hospitality shown during its sessions, the same to be publicly announced at the service on Sunday evening.

APPROPRIATIONS OF MINISTERIUM.

On motion, the appropriations of the Ministerium to students C. W. Hepner and Obed Gochenour were granted.

COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE PORTSMOUTH.

The committee to investigate Portsmouth, Virginia, with reference to establishing a church in that city, was constituted as follows: Revs. L. L. Smith, D. D., Geo. S. Bowers, W. H. Riser and Mr. J. E. Cooper.

On motion, the names of Revs. H. F. Scheele and C. E. Hershberger were removed from the ministerial roll.

The minutes were read and approved.

On motion, the Synod adjourned. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D.

A. D. R. HANCHER,
Secretary Evang. Lutheran Synod of Virginia.

FORM FOR REPORT ON STATE OF THE CHURCH.

1. Activity in Christian Work.
2. Attendance on Service.
3. Benevolence.
4. Sunday-schools.
5. Catechisation.
6. Finances.
7. Church Property.
8. Education.
9. Church Literature.

MINUTES

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EVANG. LUTHERAN SYNOD OF VIRGINIA.

FIRST SESSION.

LUTHERAN PARSONAGE, STEPHENS CITY, VA.,
FRIDAY, AUG. 23, 1907, 11.30 A. M.

The Ministerium was called to order, and opened with prayer by Rev. Geo. E. Shuey.

On motion, C. W. Hepner was granted $100, as a beneficiary at Roanoke College for the ensuing year.

On motion, the request of Obed Gochenour for beneficiary aid was referred to the Examining Committee.

On motion, at the request of Revs. H. F. Scheele and C. E. Hershberger, they having ceased ministerial work and entered secular callings, it was ordered that their names be removed from the ministerial roll by the Secretary.

The following report was read and adopted :

REPORT OF EXAMINING COMMITTEE.

We, your committee, having examined L. S. G. Miller and M. L. Canup, and being satisfied as to their qualifications, recommend that they be ordained to the office of the holy ministry Friday evening.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. SNYDER,
J. A. MOREHEAD,
J. M. SHRECKHISE,
W. J. SMITH,
W. P. HUDDLE.

On motion, the Ministerium adjourned.

SECOND SESSION.

TRINITY CHURCH, STEPHENS CITY, VA.,
SATURDAY, AUG. 24, 1907, 11 A. M.

The Ministerium met.

The Examining Committee reported favorably upon the application of Obed Gochenour for $100 for the ensuing year, as beneficiary at Roanoke College.

The minutes were read and approved.

On motion, the Ministerium adjourned.

A. D. R. HANCHER, *Secretary*
Ministerium of the Evang. Luth. Synod of Virginia.

DIVINE SERVICES.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, STEPHENS CITY, VA.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20, 1907.

8 P. M.—Opening sermon by Rev. A. D. R. Hancher, Staunton, Va.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21, 1907.

11 A. M.—Synodical Communion Sermon by Rev. J. W. Shuey, Lexington, Va.

8 P. M.—Educational Address by Rev. E. A. Repass, Ph D., New Market, Va.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22, 1907.

11 A. M.—Sermon by Rev. R. C. Holland, D. D., Charlotte, N. C.

8 P. M.—Foreign Mission Address by Rev. L. S. G. Miller, Winchester, Va.

Home Mission Address by Rev. J. F. W. Kitzmeyer, Charles Town, W. Va.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23, 1907.

11 A. M.—Sermon by Rev. J. J. Scherer, Jr., Richmond, Va.

8 P. M.—Ordination Sermon by Rev. W. P. Huddle, Madison C. H , Virginia.

At this service Revs. L. S. G. Miller and M. Luther Canup were ordained to the holy office of the Gospel Ministry.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24, 1907.

11 A. M.—Sermon by Rev. J. F. W. Kitzmeyer, Charles Town, W. Va.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, 1907.

11 A. M.—Dedicatory Sermon by Rev. J. A. Morehead, D. D., Salem, Virginia.

3 P. M.—Dedication of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran church.

8 P. M.—Sermon by Rev. John C. Bowers, Baltimore, Md.

8 P. M.—M. E. Church, South, Stephens City, Va. Sermon by Rev. E. A. Repass, Ph. D., New Market, Va.

8 P. M.—Colored M. E. church, Stephens City, Va. Sermon by Rev. W. H. Riser, Norfolk, Va.

CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH, MT. JACKSON, VA.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25, 1907.

11 A. M.—Sermon by Rev. Henry E. Jacobs, D. D., LL. D., Philadelphia, Pa.

8 P. M.—Sermon by Rev. L. L. Smith, D. D., Strasburg, Va.

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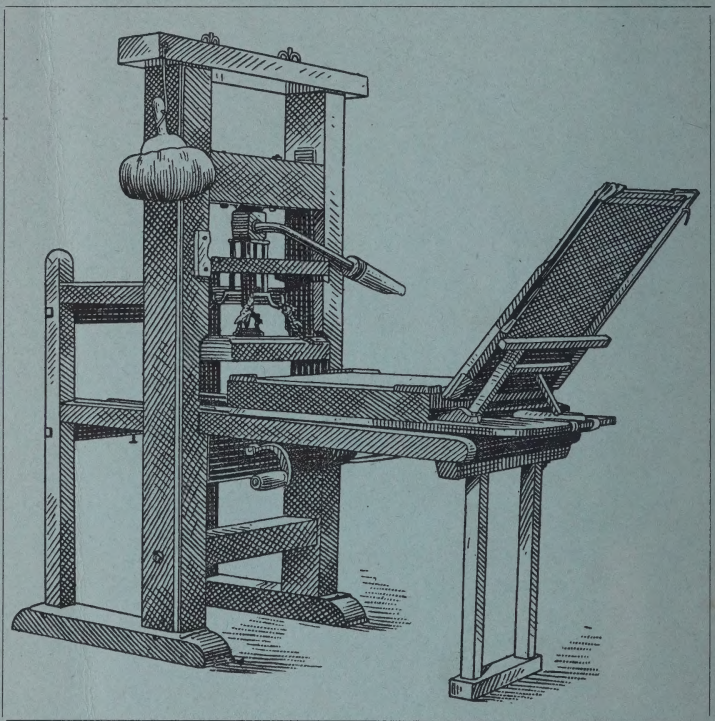

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